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BORNE-IN-A-TRUNK COVER

Don't ever underestimate Jack Davis's power of illustrative suggestion. I get a tremendous headache just contemplating Neuman's noggin penetrating that tree-trunk.

Scott Tobin
Brooklyn, N.Y.



It really *stumped* me how Alfred E. crashed headlong through that tree and survived.

Walter Gologorsky
Bergenfield, N.J.

ALIAS

Your "Alias" story's barf is worse than its bite!

Randy Melton
San Jose, Calif.

Tell Mr. Drucker that his drawings of the alien were MORTifying!

Charlie Fuchs
Avon, N.J.

When I saw your startling version of "Alien," I wondered where I could get that kind of pepperoni pizza for my little brother?

Paul Watson
Miami, Florida

It might embarrass Mort Drucker to know that the monster he was too busy cowering from while viewing "Alien," (which was quite apparent by the octopus creature he substituted in the MAD satire) has been patented as a children's toy.

Grift Heath
Snow Hill, N.C.

I would like to know why the "Alien" looked different each time?

Sawina Eller
Delft, Holland

One time it was hungry, another time it was full!—Ed.

THE MAD RUNNING PRIMER

Being a veteran road-runner myself, Davis and Siegel raised some familiar blisters, crossed toes and skinned heels with their swiftly-paced "The MAD Running Primer"!

Roberto Santiago
New York, N.Y.

"The MAD Running Primer" was so real, it left me winded! Jan Bosman
Syracuse, N.Y.

Siegel and Davis have a good track record! When will they take the field for another sports debacle?

Bettina Fleisher
Woodland Hills, Calif.

Siegel and Davis may try their skill on a soccer article soon.—Ed.

DON MARTIN LOOKS AT SPIDER-MAN

Don Martin's "Spider-Man" was really off the wall! Keep 'em coming; those comic book characters escapades.

Mark Nicholson
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Don Martin's "Look At Spider-Man" was a swinging spin-off! I got caught in its web.

Jeff Strasser
Goshen, Indiana

Don Martin's thoroughly engaging concept of Raid being sprayed on Spider-Man outstrips Superman's aversion to kryptonite!

Natalie C. Atkins
Denver, Colo.

SORRY, WRONG NUMBERS

A question regarding Tom Koch's "More Yellow Pages Through History": Could the demise of the Roman Empire be attributed to their inability to call for vital services as listed in your Historical Yellow Pages? I mean, what with opening your local directory and finding Arabic numerals instead of Roman numerals. It must have been all Greek to them, huh?

Bernd F.W. Hofman
Rochester, N.Y.

TAXING

You have successfully lambasted enough bad television shows that you apparently don't know what to do with a good one. Your satire of "Taxi", like those of "M.A.S.H." and "Barney Miller" before it, suggests that when confronted with a show too good to put down, you simply ignore its attributes and slice away. Especially with your offensive suggestion that "Taxi" owes its success to the garbage that surrounds it on Tuesday nights. Your carving technique is great as long as you limit it to the turkeys that deserve it.

Lon West
Silver Spring, Md.

I really couldn't "hack" Torres and Hart's version of "Taxing". But seriously, I "hail" them on their fine work.

Paul Smith
Sarnia, Ont.
Canada

Talent-wise, Angelo Torres is a Check-er cab and Stan Hart is a gypsy cab!

Quentin Springsted
Washington, D.C.

FOLD-IN FADE-OUT FUROR

What happened to the "Fold-In" in MAD #212? This is most certainly a break with tradition! You could lose readers . . . all four of them.

David Mackey
Oakhurst, N.J.

When you consider that Al Jaffee's "Fold-In" started with issue #86, April 1964, and I started reading MAD with the same issue, it was only natural that I would try folding Jaffee's "Lightning" sequence! It wasn't much of a message when folded, but it proves you'll always have this reader in the fold.

David Toplitz
New York, N.Y.

I was just wondering why you didn't have a "Fold-In" in the Jan. '80 issue. I really missed it! But I did enjoy Al Jaffee's "Lightning Never Strikes In The Same Place Twice!" It struck me funny!

May Kosoi
Canoga Park, Calif.

An issue of MAD without a "Fold-In" is like an issue of Playboy without a "Fold-Out."

Matt Schmitz
Omaha, Neb.

BILK SYSTEM AD



Congratulations to your able photographer, Irving Schild. His "Bilk System" casting and staging rings the hell out of Bell!

Kym Prah
Birmingham, Mich.

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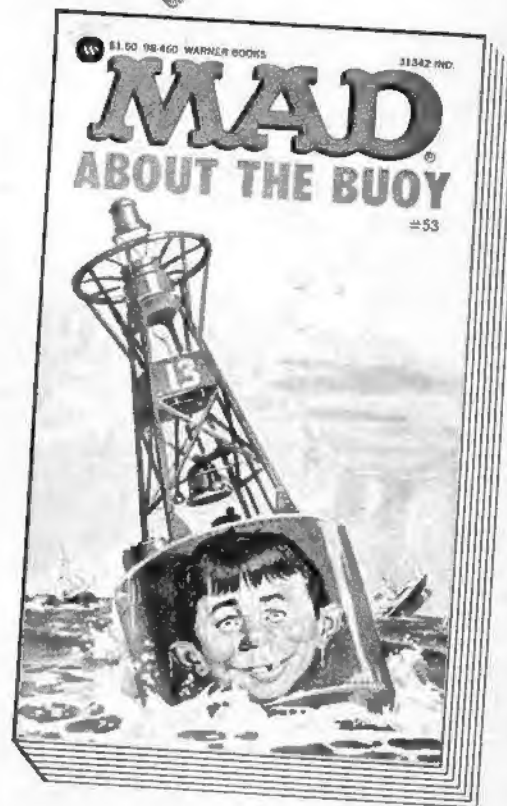
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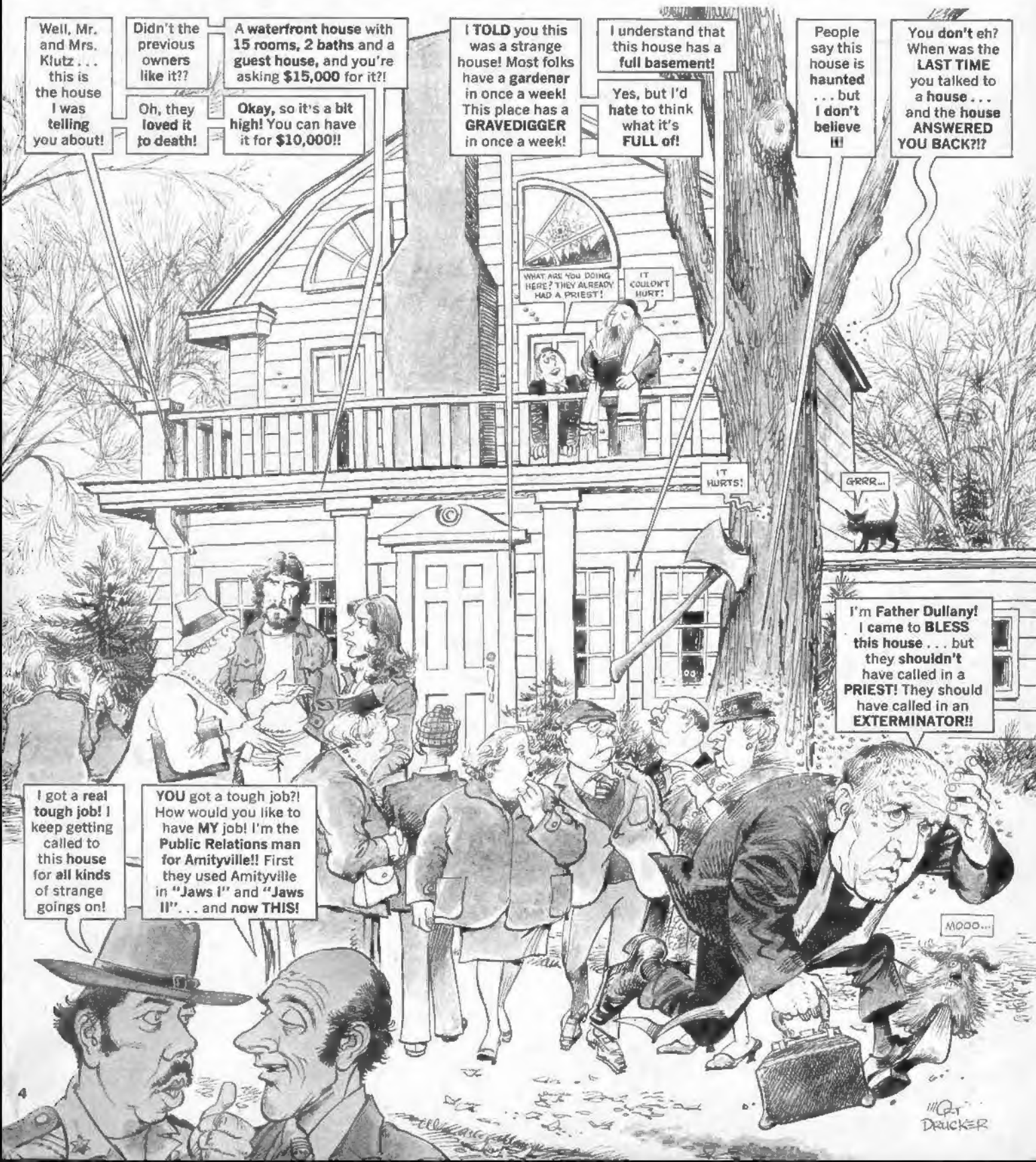
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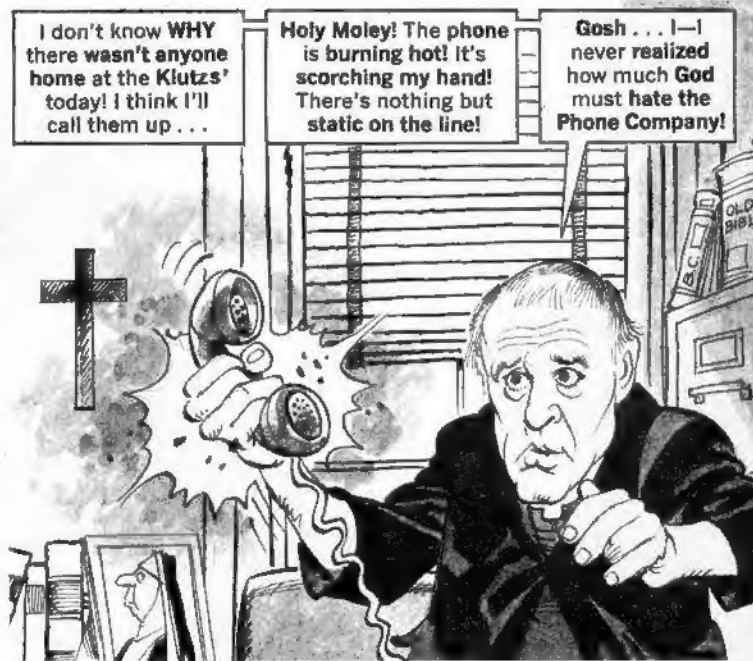
Recently, there was a horror film that made the rounds which had as its advertising slogan, "FOR GOD'S SAKE, GET OUT!" Well, not until millions of moviegoers had paid their admissions fees did they realize that it was a warning to the audience—to GET OUT OF THE THEATER before this "horror" unfolded on the screen! But the warning had come too late to save both their money, and them from suffering through



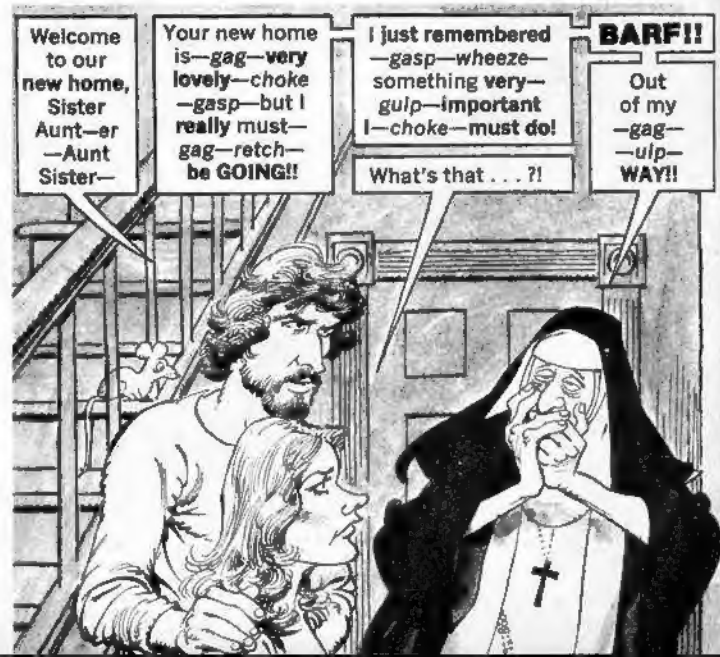
THE CALAMITYVILLE HORROR



ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER



WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO



Gored, please come to bed!

Soon! I just want to put another log on the fire!

You and that--that **FIRE!** I can't stand it any more!

What gets you so upset about me making a fire??

Because ... you idiot ... we don't have a fireplace!



There's something wrong in that house the Klutzes' are living in, I tell you! We tried to **DRIVE OVER** there, and what happened?!

The brakes failed, ... and the gas pedal stuck ... and the steering wheel column broke ... !!

What's so strange about that?! You **DID** borrow the **BRAND NEW CAR** we were going to raffle off next Sunday night!!



I tell you, the **DEVIL** is in that house!!

You're making too much out of this!! If you don't stop, we'll have to make you a **SAINT!**

But you have to be **DEAD** to be a Saint!

NOW you're starting to get the idea!!

This plate of cookies is for **Blamey** ... and that empty plate of imaginary cookies is for Blamey's imaginary friend, **Jokey!**

Gee, if Blamey has an imaginary friend, do I get paid extra for babysitting two kids?!

Sure! Your imaginary extra money is under the plate!!



Why didn't you let the Babysitter out of the closet?!!

She didn't say "Please!" ...

My God! Our daughter has become a **SADIST!**

Yes ... but a well-mannered sadist! She **DID** expect the Babysitter to say "Please!"



... and it will be **CLEAR** tonight, except for a very local freak storm! A very, **VERY** local freak storm ... just over that old, weird, scary house in Amityville!



Gored, I—I dreamed that you murdered the whole family with your **AXE!**

Nonsense! Now, go back to sleep!

I can't! My pillow seems so **HARD!**

I **KNEW** I hid my axe under **ONE** of these pillows!



What do you mean, it was a burglar?? The door was broken OUT ... from the INSIDE! A burglar breaks IN! Not OUT!

Maybe it was his first job, and he was confused! What IS strange, though, is that everything happens in this house at exactly 3:15 on your bedroom clock!

That's not so strange! Our bedroom clock is broken! It ALWAYS says 3:15!

Your business partner's new house gives me the creeps! Let's go inside!

It DOES!! I love having the creeps!

But I thought you said it gives you the creeps!

Hi! Come on in— and make yourselves at home!

Thanks! I'll just go down the cellar!

The cellar?!

Yeah! That's where I'm at home!!

This WALL is where the demons go back and forth at night!

Hey! What are you going to do?

I'm gonna put in a revolving door! Maybe then those demons will make less noise, and let us get some sleep at night!

Gored, let's rent an apartment!

I don't want to live in an apartment!

Not for us, dummy! For the GHOSTS! I want to move to where there's sunshine and blue sky!

Where? Florida?

No, across the street!!

Good Lord ... the windows are breaking ... and the wallpaper is oozing puss ... and the stairs are bleeding ... !!

We shouldn't have taken a MORTGAGE on this place! We should have taken a MAJOR MEDICAL POLICY on it! Let's get out of here ... for good!

C'mon, Nipper, we're all leaving! Hey, Nipper ... I KNOW I'm covered with black gook, but it's ME!

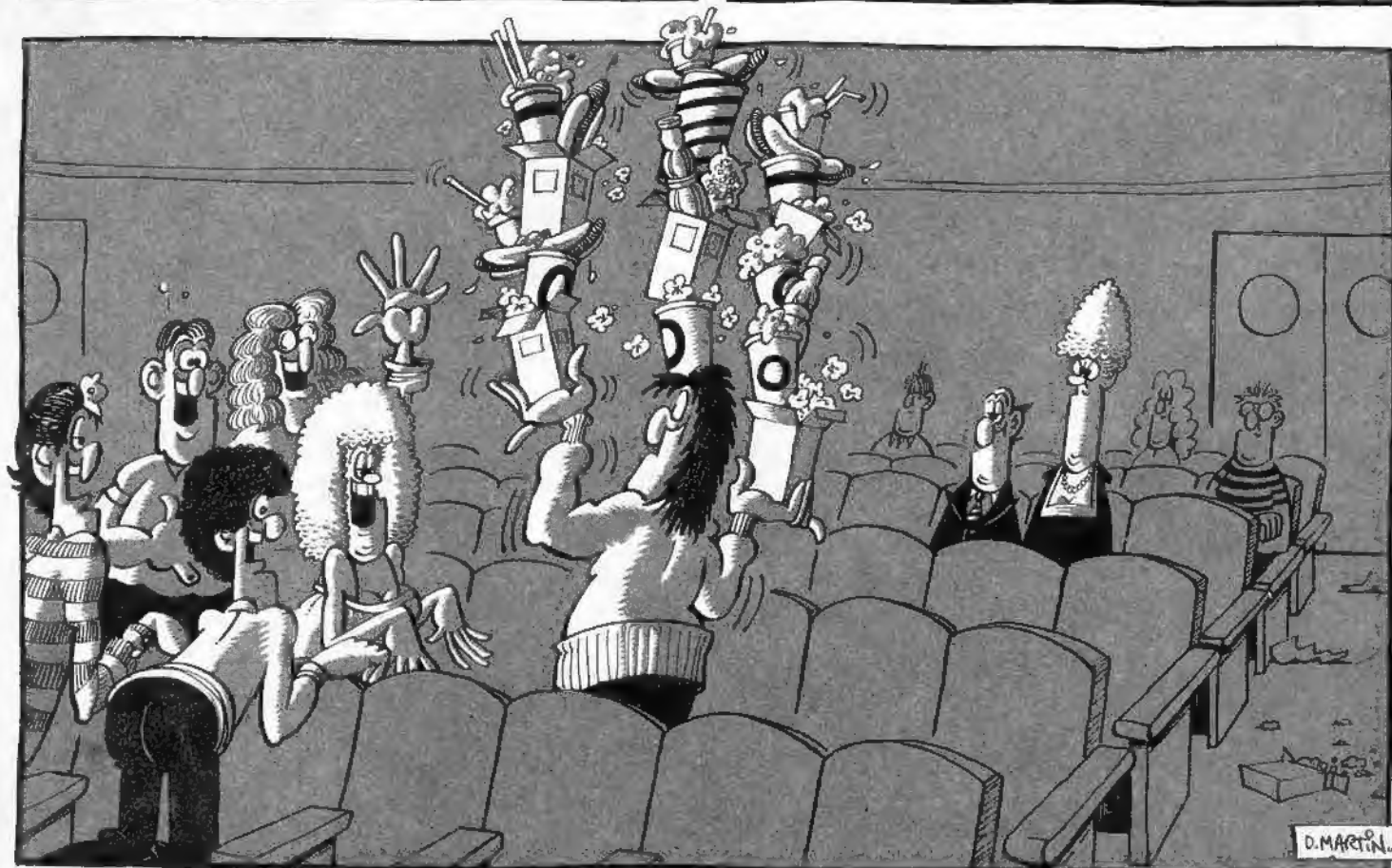
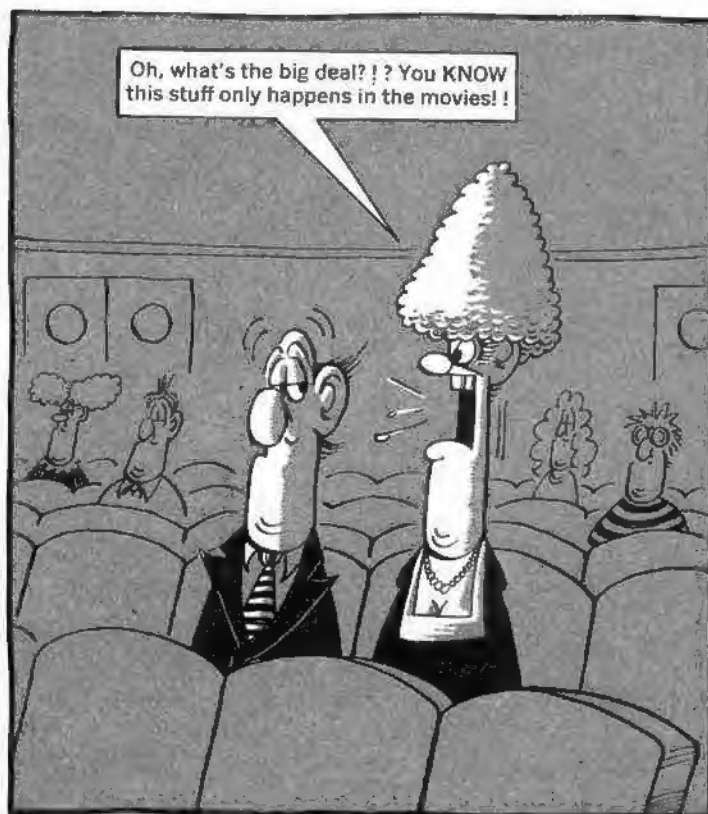
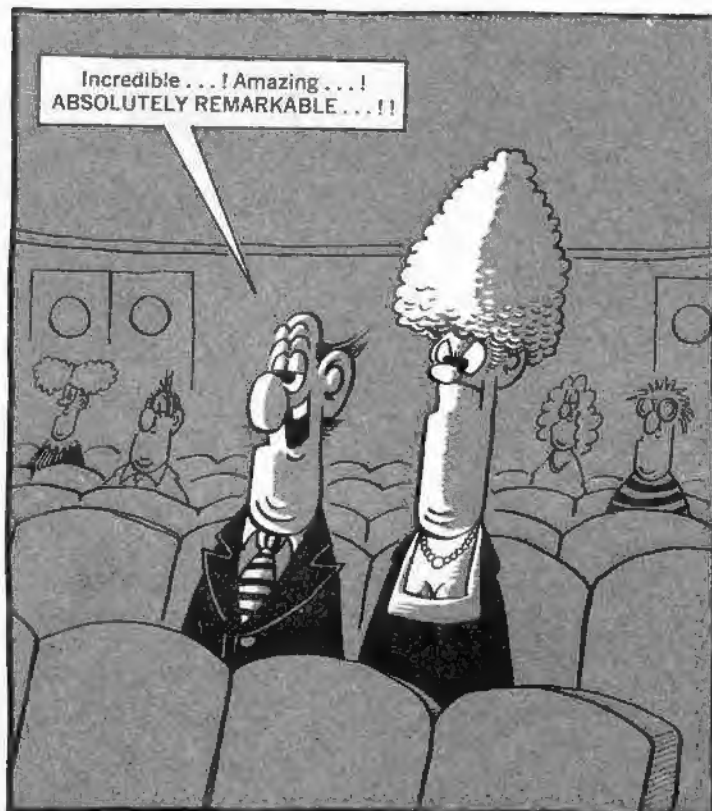
Schmuck, I know it's you!! Why do you think I'm biting you?!

I'd rather stay here with the GHOSTS! They're a lot saner than OUR family is!

The Klutzs left their house and never went back for their personal belongings. They didn't have to! With the million bucks they've made from the book ... and a few million more from the movie ... why would they want any of that old junk, anyway?!

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ONE FINE DAY DOWNTOWN WHILE WATCHING A DOUBLE FEATURE



JUST PLANE NONSENSE DEPT.

"Another 'Airport' movie?!" you say. "Haven't they run out of ideas?" you ask. Sure! They ran out of ideas three "Airports" ago! But that didn't stop them from making . . .

THE CORNCORDE AIRPLOT '79

ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO

Look at those idiots in that hot air balloon! It's a radical environmental group . . . trying to save an endangered species!!

You mean, like birds?

No, like PEOPLE!!

Well, here it comes! World Nauseating Airlines' brand new Corncorde SST!

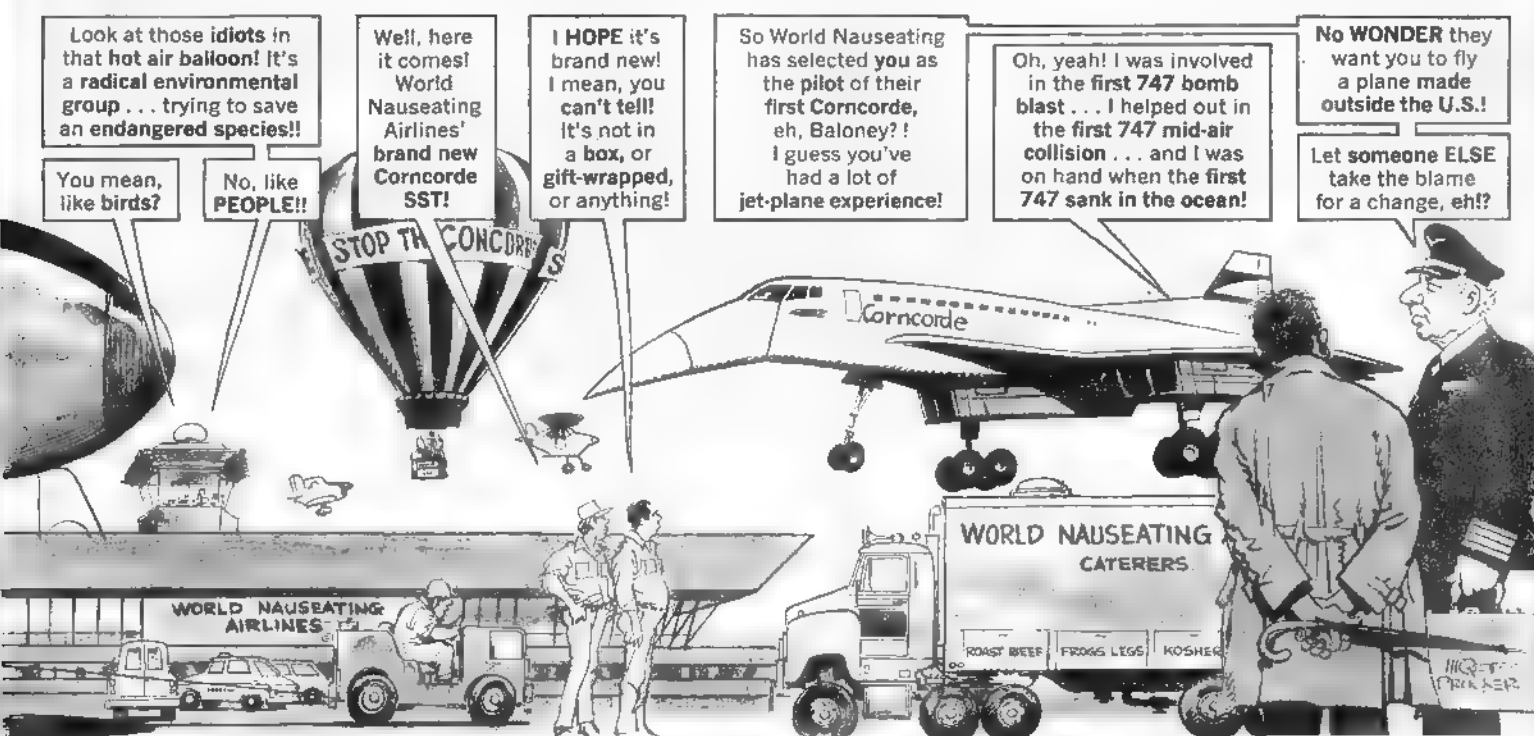
I HOPE it's brand new! I mean, you can't tell! It's not in a box, or gift-wrapped, or anything!

So World Nauseating has selected you as the pilot of their first Corncorde, eh, Baloney?! I guess you've had a lot of jet-plane experience!

Oh, yeah! I was involved in the first 747 bomb blast . . . I helped out in the first 747 mid-air collision . . . and I was on hand when the first 747 sank in the ocean!

No WONDER they want you to fly a plane made outside the U.S.!

Let someone ELSE take the blame for a change, eh!?



And now, here's tonight's news! Pay VERY close attention, because these next items comprise most of the plot!

Today, World Nauseating Airlines took delivery of their new Corncorde SST, which flies at TWICE THE SPEED OF SOUND!!

Also today, Harassment Industries demonstrated its new "Vulture Rocket," which can shoot down any target flying at twice the speed of sound! Can you see what's coming . . .

... or do I have to draw you a picture?

Now let's cut to our remote cameras at the Harassment Industries Rocket Test Site . . .

How deadly IS the new Harassment Vulture Rocket?

It's effective kill rate is 123%! But . . . 100% is perfect!

Yes, but this weapon not only completely destroys what's in the sky . . . but the FALLING DEBRIS usually kills an un-planned-for EXTRA 23% on the ground!



I came to see you because I have proof that Harassment Industries has been selling its weapons to America's enemies all over the world for the past 15 years! And if anybody knew I was here, they would KILL ME!!

Come now... it's just your imagination!

One thing you gotta say about this guy... he's got GREAT IMAGINATION!



A man came to me and said he had proof—documents—that show you have been selling weapons to enemies of this country!

Oh, Darling, don't be ridiculous! There are NO SUCH DOCUMENTS! Er—by the way... he didn't happen to GIVE you these "no such" documents, did he??



It's blackmail, that's all! Big Business is like that kid's game!

Er—"King of the Mountain"...?

No, "Monopoly"! My company is negotiating to buy Boardwalk and Park Place right now! I mean, I HAVE everything I want already! I have three homes, two cars, a private jet... what MORE could I possibly want??

World domination?

WHO SNITCHED??

I would like to say America is great!

Coach Marxist, did you take a lot of pictures while you were here?

No! Someone stole my camera!

Er—Coach Marxist, do you have any luggage??

I did, but IT was stolen!

If your camera and luggage were stolen, why do you still think America is so great...??

Because... in Russia, a person is never able to OWN a camera or luggage!!

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Haggie has the no-such documents! How hard would it be to re-program the Vulture Rocket to a new target?

There are a million back-up systems and fail-safes! Security is everywhere! NASA is watching us! The Air Force—radar—

How long?!

About two minutes!

This heart is for my Son! We've got to get it into the air as quickly as possible!

Before it dies??

No, before the donor finds out! We took it without his permission! He was sleeping in the airport lounge!



We have a malfunction of the Vulture Rocket! It has altered its course, and is now headed directly for the World Nauseating Airlines' Corncorde!

I thought you said this new weapon of yours was 100% accurate!

It may be wiping out the wrong target, but it'll do it with 100% accuracy!



Tell me something, Mefriend, do they make tiny Corncordes?

No, the only Corncordes made are the size of the one we're in!

I was afraid of that!!

In that case, WE'RE UNDER ATTACK!!

Fasten your seat belts, folks! I have to make a few minor course adjustments!

If these are "MINOR course adjustments," let's hope he doesn't have to make any MAJOR adjustments!!

This is ridiculous! I always used to travel by ship! Then, I took a cruise, and the ship turned upside down! I came on this plane to get away from those horrible memories!



We've lost the missile for a while, anyway! But it'll find us again! Got any thoughts?

Hide behind a cloud and keep very quiet!

Too late! Here it comes again!!

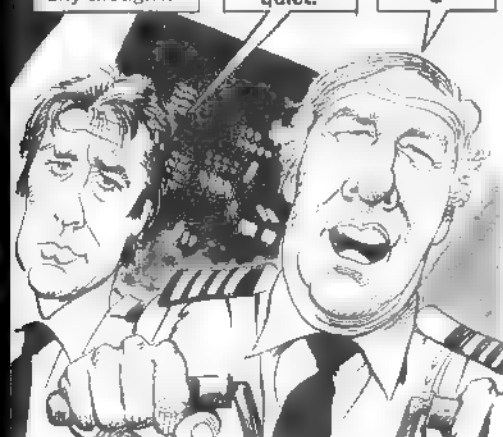
Hang on!!

We should have taken a DC-10! We would have been better off!

How do you think I feel!?! I'm the President of this Airline! I OWN this plane! I sure hope it came with a WARRANTY... because I'm returning it for a refund!

Reprogramming the Vulture Rocket failed! I want you to use every means possible to wipe that Corncorde out of the sky! I want to see my girl Haggie DEAD!!

Boy, when you've had a lover's quarrel, you become a REAL MEANIE!!



Now THERE'S a friendly jet fighter pilot! We're going too fast to wave at each other so he's shooting off a "HELLO" flare...

A "Hello" flare!! That's a heat-seeking missile! He's attacking us!!

Oh, no!!

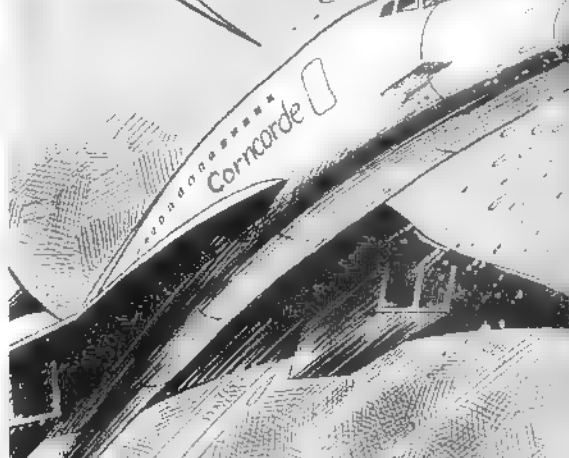
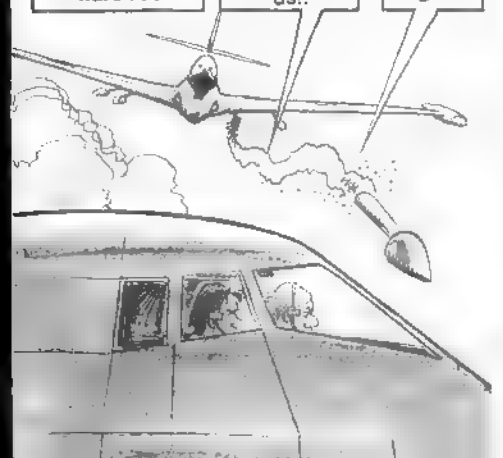
Er... folks, it's "minor adjustment" time again!

Since those are heat-seeking missiles, I bet I could divert them by shooting this flare gun out the window!

Baloney, you're a bigger idiot than I thought! We're flying at 1400 miles an hour... and YOU want to OPEN the window?!

Boy, that was hairy! We lost all our engine power in that dive to avoid the missile, but we pulled out just before we hit the ocean! Tell me, Mefriend, how close did we come to the water?

Let me put it this way: You know that long nose on our plane? Well, at the end of it are two bass, a sailfish, an octopus and a moray eel!



Captain Baloney, the port side reverse thrusters are GONE!!

What does THAT mean??

We'll have to make a landing with the brakes full on! They'll put nets across the runway to try to stop us, and all the Emergency Units will be on full red alert!

But that's the way I ALWAYS land!



NO WONDER no one ever uses these courts! This is some noisy place!

Yeah, they built it too close to the airport!!



This Corncorde landed here in Paris just long enough for me to place this Automatic Cargo Door Opener aboard!

It's also known by another name!

An Automatic Cargo Door Opener!!! Gee, I never heard of THAT before!

A BOMB!



I—I just heard an EXPLOSION!

It felt just like a BOMB went off!

It figures!! So far, the ONLY THING on this plane that has worked properly turns out to be a BOMB!!



Captain Baloney ... I called you back here because there's a man in the aisle, and he refuses to move!

Did you tell him he belongs in his seat ... ?

That's the problem! He IS in his seat! Only his SEAT is in the AISLE! I—I think the plane is COMING APART!!



This PLANE is COMING APART!!

So's the PLOT!!

We'll have to make an emergency landing! We're over the Alps, and I know just the spot ... an area big enough to LAND this baby!

Does it have a tower and lights?

Isn't it preposterous enough that I know a place in the Alps big enough to land this plane?! You want a tower and lights too?



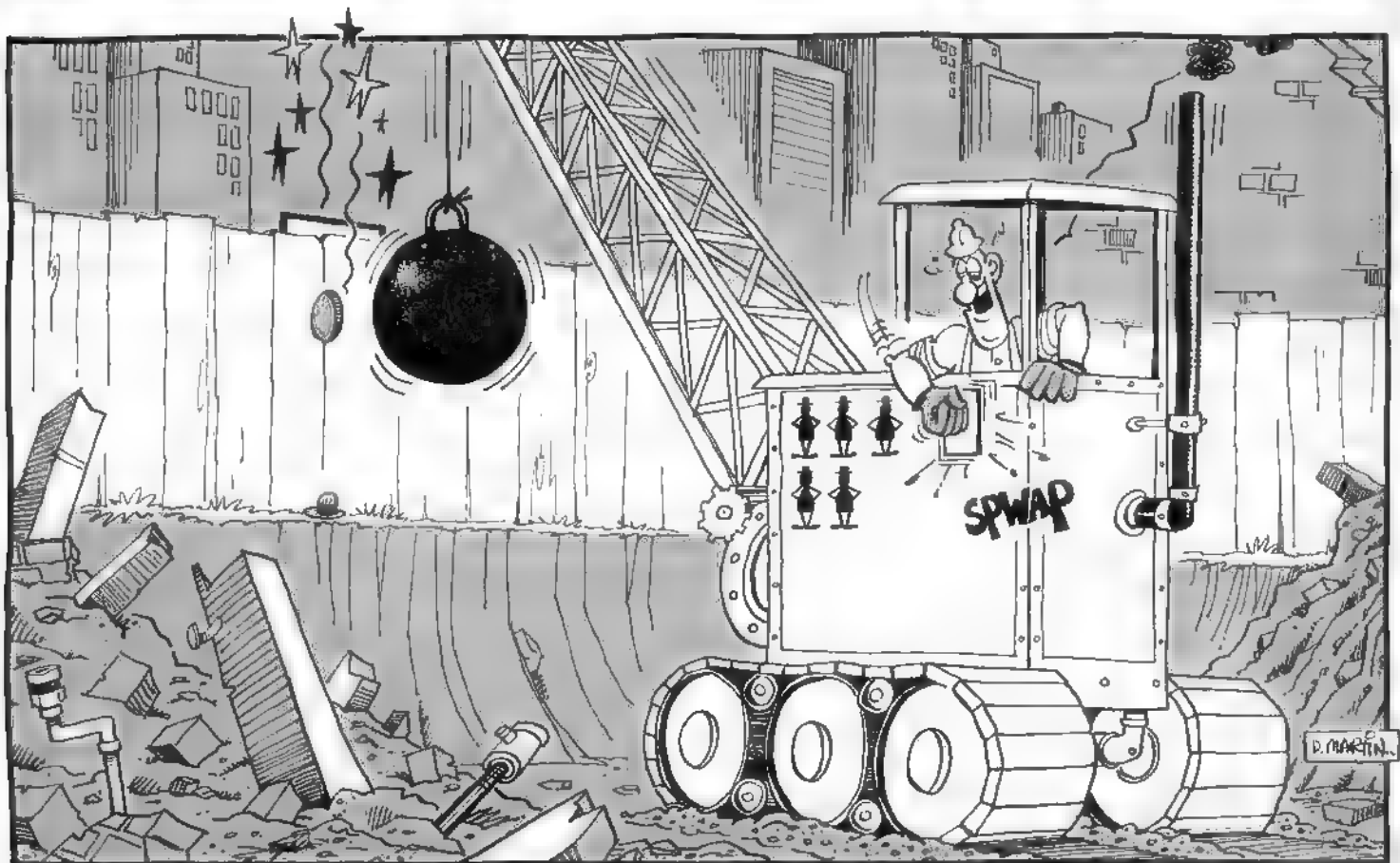
Poor Captain Baloney ... sob ... sob ... it's just AWFUL!!

What are crying for? Baloney is ALIVE!

I KNOW!! That's why I'm crying! Now, the studio will force him to make "Airplot '80"! The poor man ... sob!!



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... and Doesn't Get
A Hernia

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WITH MY SECRETARY ...
AND LIVED! (HOO-BOY,
DID I LIVE!)"

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BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...

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Here's the **FINAL COUNT . . .**
We won the **THIRD DISTRICT!!**

We won the **FIFTH, SIXTH**
and **EIGHTH DISTRICTS!!**

And we **ALSO WON** the
TENTH, ELEVENTH and
FIFTEENTH DISTRICTS!!

But we **LOST** the **ELECTION!**



CLAP CLAP



YIPPI!

CLAP CLAP



YAHOO!
WHOOP!
CLAP CLAP
CLAP CLAP



Where are you go-
ing, all dressed
up like that?

To Mary Lou's
"Engagement
Party" . . .!

Thank goodness you have at
least **ONE FRIEND** who's
getting **LEGALLY MARRIED**,
instead of living in **SIN**
with some no-good creep!

Just as soon as I
get these **TWO**
PRESENTS wrapped,
I'll be ready to go!

TWO
PRESENTS?!
Why **TWO**
PRESENTS?!

It's also a "**BABY SHOWER**"!



There's no furniture! The phone hasn't been turned
on yet! The electricity hasn't been turned on yet!

And there's absolutely no
heat! I'm freezing my tush
off! What the heck are we
DOING here, anyway . . .?!

Having a **HOUSE WARMING!**



Hi!
Where's
Dad
tonight?

He's gone to his
25th Annual Class
Reunion! He must
be having a ball!

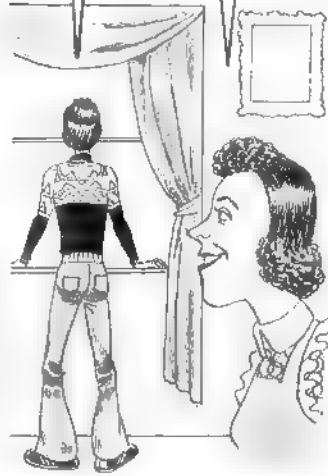
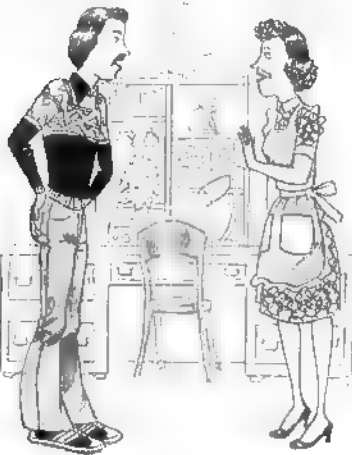
He's
driving
up now!

Good! I can't
WAIT to hear
all the stories!

So, tell
us! Did
you have a
good time?

What kind of a
good time can
you have with
THOSE guys?!!

They're a bunch of balding,
graying, FAT, OLD MEN!!



Tonight, at this Farewell
Dinner, we are honoring a
faithful employee . . . Mr.
Reginald Krinklemeier!

After twenty-five years of
hard work, good ol' Reggie
is finally retiring!

And so, on this occasion, we,
the Executives, present you
with this solid gold digital
watch with a built-in alarm!

Thank you very much . . .

. . . but what am I going to
do with an ALARM WATCH
now that I don't have to
get up for work any more?!



HOORAY!!
YIPPI!!

What's all
the noise
about??

We're celebrating
a big important
holiday!!

Oh, yeah?
What holiday
is it??

Darned if we
know the name!

Then, WHAT are
you celebrating?

NO SCHOOL!!



First, we'll need more flags and a bigger sign!

Then, we'll order in some hors d'oeuvres, cake and wine!

What's the big deal?! Why the celebration?! Lots of stores go out of business these days!

But this is also an ANNIVERSARY!

Of what?

This is the FIFTH YEAR of our "GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE"!

Going Out of Business SALE

You've got an invitation to a party to celebrate Charlie McGilla's promotion to V.P.!

I'm NOT GOING!!

What are you SAYING!?? He's your BEST FRIEND!

Some friend!

When you broke your leg, he was there to help! When you lost your job, he was there to help! When you had a fire in your house, he was there—

THAT's what I MEAN!!

That guy is always bringing me BAD LUCK!

We had a Graduation Party last night! Five kids got drunk and passed out!

Oh, my gosh...!

Then, six kids got zoned on grass and two O-D-ed on pills! We had to call an ambulance!

Oh, my heavens...!

Then, eight jocks crashed the party and got into a big fight with our guys, and the Police came and arrested ten people!

Oh, my goodness...!!

It was the BEST DARN PARTY I ever went to!!

GIVIN' 'EM A RIBBIN' DEPT.

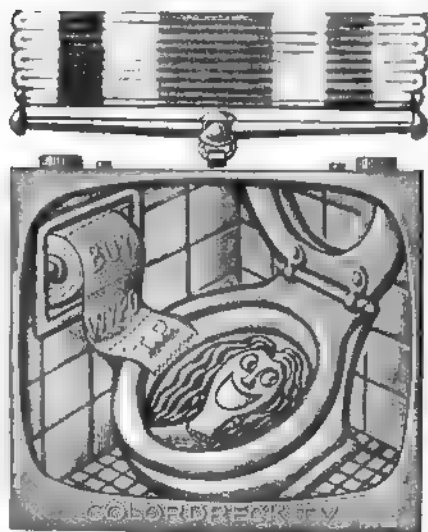
Why restrict the awarding of medals to the military? After all, Civilians perform heroic acts while fighting life's daily battles as well! Let's recognize them with

THIS ISSUE'S PROPOSED MAD MEDALS

ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE

... TO BE PRESENTED TO DESERVING ACTORS

**THE BANKROLL
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For bravely undergoing years of basic training in classic theater in order to turn out convincingly persuasive and highly profitable TV commercials.

**THE AWKWARD
"OSCAR" AWARD**



For gallantly awakening and stunning a captive audience by making an inflammatory political acceptance speech in a televised "Academy Awards" ceremony.

**THE RINGS OF THE
LATTER MEDAL**



For heroically marrying and divorcing any number of famous and/or notorious people for publicity, resulting in the upward movement of recipient's career.

**THE MYSTERY
GUEST CITATION**



For not having worked at acting in 15 years, yet still be able to maintain an ostentatious Beverly Hills mansion and life style by going on talk shows and boring us with tales of an ostentatious Beverly Hills mansion and life style.

**THE HOLIER THAN
ANYONE MEDAL**



Awarded to all Actors who generously donate their time to TV Charity Telethons . . . and then eloquently entertain everyone with news about their forthcoming movies, books, plays, TV shows, concerts and bar mitzvah appearances. 21



ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE

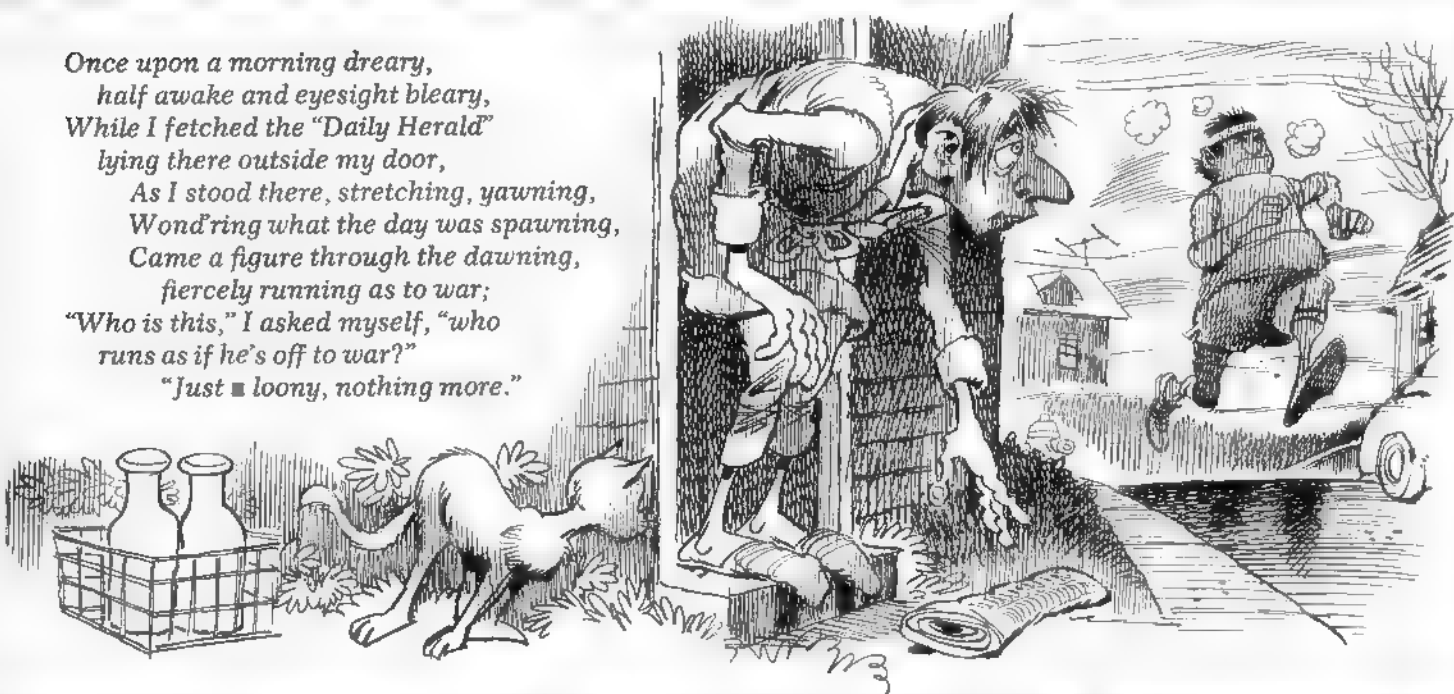
RAVIN' MANIAC DEPT.

Many years ago, Edgar Allan Poe concocted a celebrated poem about a lonely creature who, for mysterious reasons, came out of nowhere to appear suddenly at weird hours. Poe called this creature "The Raven," probably the strangest bird in all of literature. Today, there's another creature who, for equally mysterious reasons, also comes out of nowhere to appear suddenly at weird hours. Meet this strangest of modern birds, as MAD presents ...

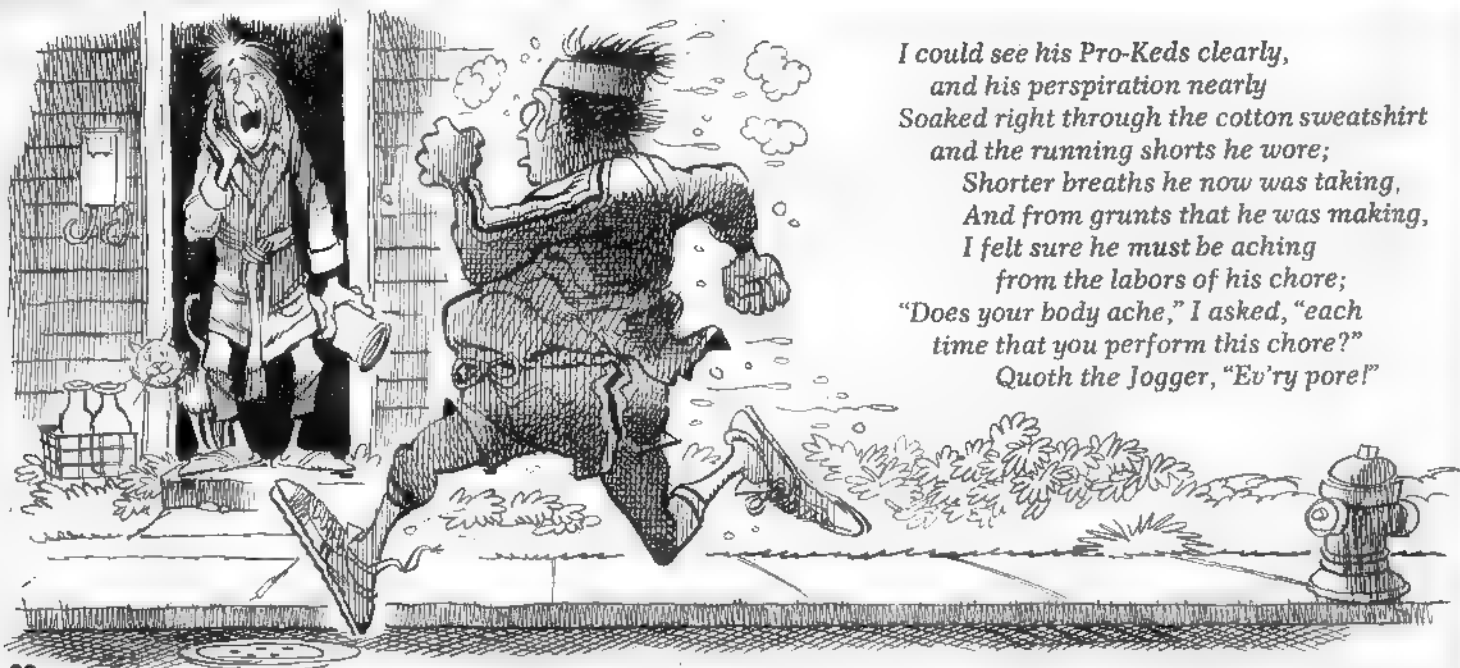
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ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

Once upon a morning dreary,
half awake and eyesight bleary,
While I fetched the "Daily Herald"
lying there outside my door,
As I stood there, stretching, yawning,
Wond'ring what the day was spawning,
Came a figure through the dawning,
fiercely running as to war;
"Who is this," I asked myself, "who
runs as if he's off to war?"
"Just ■ loony, nothing more."



I could see his Pro-Keds clearly,
and his perspiration nearly
Soaked right through the cotton sweatshirt
and the running shorts he wore;
Shorter breaths he now was taking,
And from grunts that he was making,
I felt sure he must be aching
from the labors of his chore;
"Does your body ache," I asked, "each
time that you perform this chore?"
Quoth the Jogger, "Ev'ry pore!"



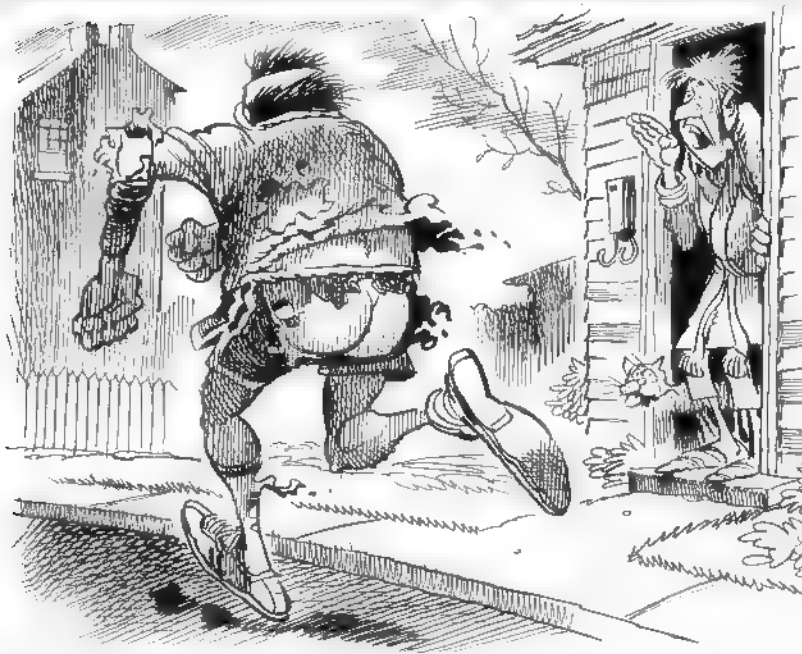
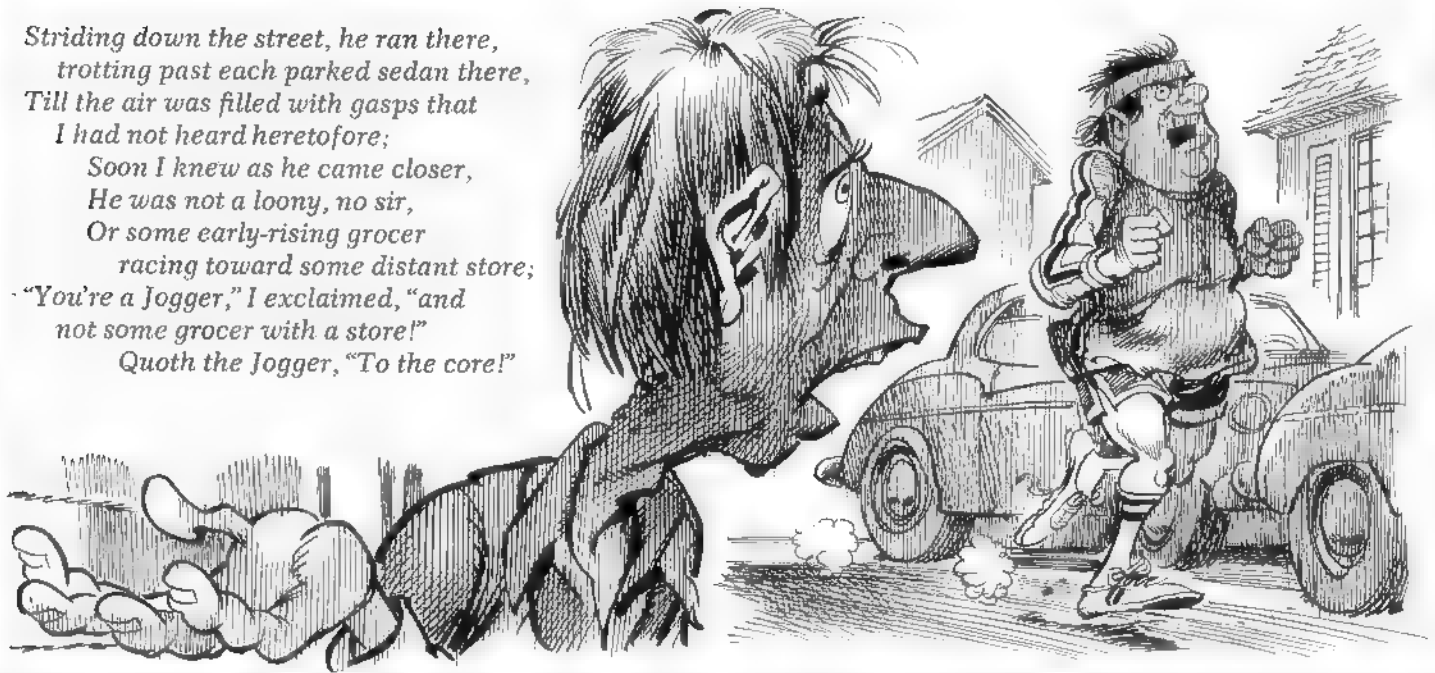


JOGGER

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

WITH APOLOGIES TO EDGAR ALLAN POE

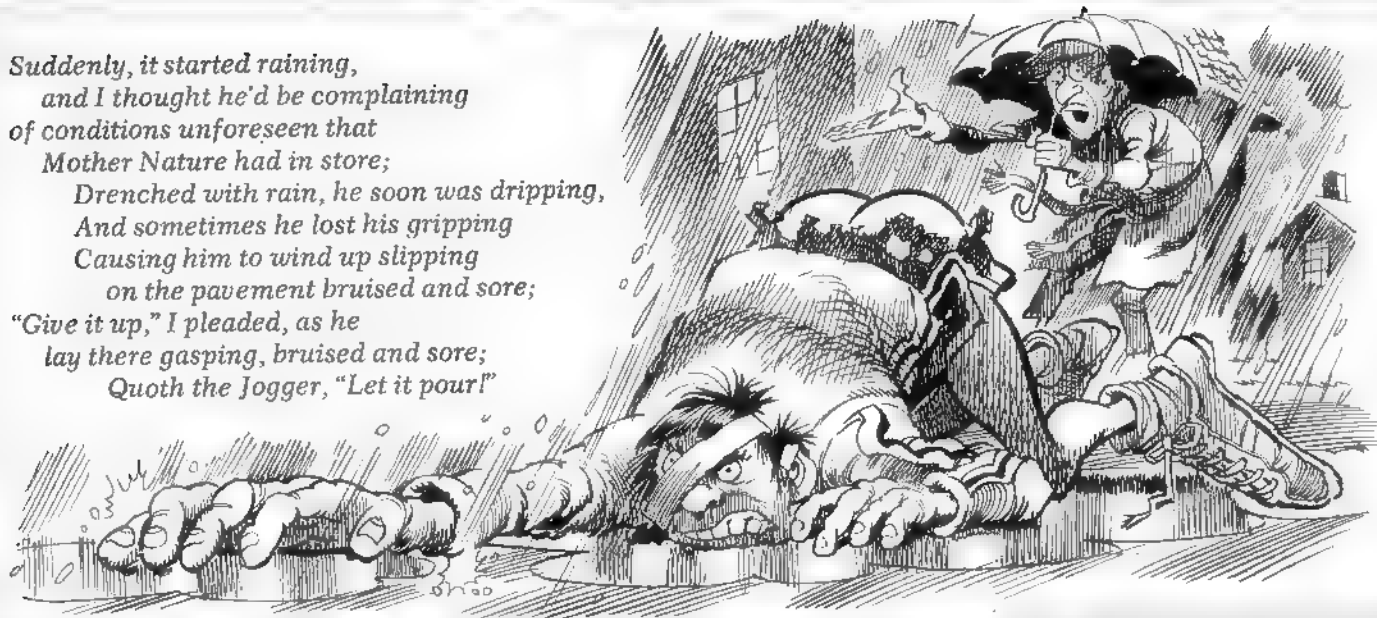
*Striding down the street, he ran there,
trotting past each parked sedan there,
Till the air was filled with gasps that
I had not heard heretofore;
Soon I knew as he came closer,
He was not a loony, no sir,
Or some early-rising grocer
racing toward some distant store;
"You're a Jogger," I exclaimed, "and
not some grocer with a store!"
Quoth the Jogger, "To the core!"*



*Round the block he now was veering,
then quite soon was reappearing,
Battered, scarred and bleeding in a
state most people would deplore;
Ev'ry garment he was wearing
Now was either ripped or tearing;
Furthermore, his legs were bearing
signs of toothmarks by the score;
"What on earth," I asked, "has caused these
signs of toothmarks by the score?"
Quoth the Jogger, "Dogs galore!"*



Suddenly, it started raining,
 and I thought he'd be complaining
 of conditions unforeseen that
 Mother Nature had in store;
 Drenched with rain, he soon was dripping,
 And sometimes he lost his gripping
 Causing him to wind up slipping
 on the pavement bruised and sore;
 "Give it up," I pleaded, as he
 lay there gasping, bruised and sore;
 Quoth the Jogger, "Let it pour!"



On and on, he did continue,
 straining ev'ry bone and sinew,
 Round the block and back again
 until each passing was a bore;
 "Hey," I asked him, "aren't you done now?"
 "Surely this can't be much fun now;
 "Fifteen miles or more you've run now
 since I've been here, keeping score:
 'Isn't that enough?' I uttered,
 as I stood there, keeping score;
 Quoth the Jogger, "Just one more!"

Then it was that I did see there
 just how old he seemed to be there;
 Ancient was his weathered face with
 wrinkles I could not ignore;
 Years of running so insanely
 Made him look much older, plainly,
 Than his age, which I felt mainly
 must be fifty-five or more;
 "What's your age?" I asked, expecting
 he'd say fifty-five or more;
 Quoth the Jogger, "Twenty-four!"



TOMB BOOM DEPT.

Hi! I'm John Revolyta, "Superstar"! The reason I'm conductin' one of these stupid MAD interviews is to tap another faucet... I mean facet... of my amazin' talent! I'm here today to interview Mr. Klone Ghoul, who has recently been chosen as...

MAD'S "NECROMANIA AGENT" OF THE YEAR



ARTIST: HARRY NORTH, ESQ.

WRITER: LOU SILVERSTONE

Heh-heh! Just a little Show Biz humor, there! Seriously, I represent stars who have gone to that **REALLY BIG SHOW!**

You mean Las Vegas?

No... I mean they took their **LAST BOW!**

I dig! You mean guys who've had their shows **CANCELLED!**

No, their **SHOWS** weren't cancelled. Dope! They were!! **Permanently!** All my clients are **DEAD!!**



Isn't it creepy—having to deal with people who are **NO LONGER WITH US?**

It was creepier dealing with people who are no longer **WITH IT!** I used to be a regular agent! All my clients were alive! The only dying they did was on stage! Then... this Elvis thing happened, and I got the message! "Dead" is where it's at! Stiffs don't bug you for shots on the Carson show! And more important: Dead stars don't have to be paid!

I'll show you what I mean in "Elvis Hall" —



Now, I ask you: is this not a beautiful sight?!

What's so beautiful about a bunch of groupies, crying?

Not the **CRYING**, schmuck! The **BUYING!** THE **BUYING!**

But can't you be sued by the Presley estate for selling all this Elvis Presley stuff?

WHAT Elvis Presley stuff?!? This is all **Elvis SHLOCK**... my newest discovery! He looks like Presley, he sounds like Presley and he dresses like Presley... but he's genuine **SHLOCK!**

If all these records, pictures, souvenirs and mementos are of **Elvis SHLOCK**... how come I don't see his **NAME** anywhere?!

It's there! Right under the six-inch high "**ELVIS**"! See the 1/16th-inch high type? Use the magnifying glass!!



Oh, I know what you're thinking... that if something happens to **Elvis Shlock**... **THEN** where would I be?!

That's **NOT** what I was thinking at all!!

Well, you're not too bright! If you were, you **WOULD** have been thinking that! But to answer the question, let's look in here at my "**ELVIS ACADEMY**"...



You ain't nuthin' but a pound dog...

Don't be cruel to a heart that's goo...

Love my tender lovely stew...

Prease... get offa my brue sway shoes...

What's that? A Chinese Elvis?

So I'll send him to the **ORIENT!** What do them gooks know?!



Is **Elvis** the only live act—if you'll pardon the expression—you're doing?

No, I've got all the biggies... **Judy, Janis, the Jims—Hendrix and Croce, Buddy Holly**... If they've **HAD** it, I **HAVE** it! I'm even branching out into non-musical acts! Catch this...



Take **THAT**, you dirty rotten @\$%½!

Who's that cruel woman supposed to be?

You're looking at a preview of the new "**Joan Crawford LIVES Show**"!!

And that's a scene from one of her famous movies?

No, it's a scene from her **INFAMOUS** biography! The **S & M** freaks will love it!





Doesn't it bother you ... sitting around ... waiting for a big star to croak??

I manage to keep busy while I'm waiting! Like in here! This is my "Film Morgue"!

Hmm! It figures!

By keeping an active film library on all the biggies, if somebody drops dead today, I can be ready with ■ TV Special on them tonight!

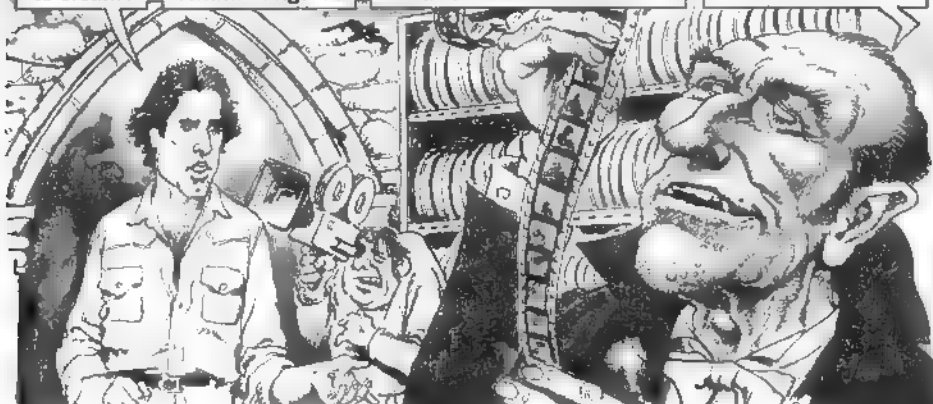
That sounds SICK to me!!

What sick?! That's a Public Service!! The TV Viewers get turned on seeing ■ dead celebrity on the tube before he's even buried!!

You know what makes me sick? "Beatlemania"! I mean, doing the Beatles BEFORE they're dead!!

You get sick because it's in such bad taste?

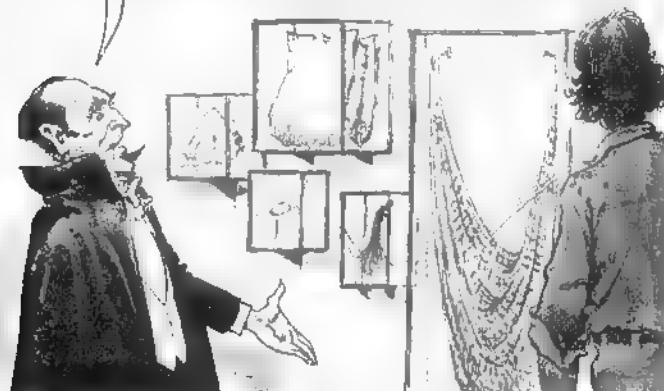
No ... I get sick because I didn't think of it first!



This is "Posterity Promenade," my gold mine of the future! It's chock full of priceless treasures that are soaring in value by the minute! Here's a Kleenex used by Streisand, ■ barf bag used by Kiss, a lens from John Denver's glasses, a lock of Neil Diamond's hair, and this was used by Dolly Parton...

I know she's BIG ... but this is ridiculous!!

That's her HAMMOCK, shmendrick!



I don't get it! Everyone that you mentioned is alive and well!

Nobody's immortal! Like the Boy Scouts say, "Be Prepared"!

What's this? A model of a graveyard??

Something even more valuable! A swamp—I mean—a farm that once belonged to a relative of James Dean! I'm selling it for \$10 ■ parcel!



Ten dollars an acre?! That's cheap!

No ... not ten dollars an ACRE, Dummy! Ten dollars a SQUARE INCH!

Ten dollars a SQUARE INCH?! You must be making a fortune on this!

It's not ALL profit! Y'know how much it cost me to hire a lawyer to draw up six million deeds?!?

You mean there are six million crazies willing to shell out good bread for a square inch of swamp! Barnum was right! There IS a sucker born every minute!

Barnum was ALL WET! There are HUNDREDS of suckers born every minute!!



Mr. Ghoul,
you gotta
help me—
or I'm
gonna kill
myself!

A client left
over from the
old days!

NOW, he wants
to kill himself!

SCHMUCK!! Why didn't you
think of that when you had
the Number One record?! I
could've made you immortal!
Now the way your discs sell,
you might as well LIVE!!

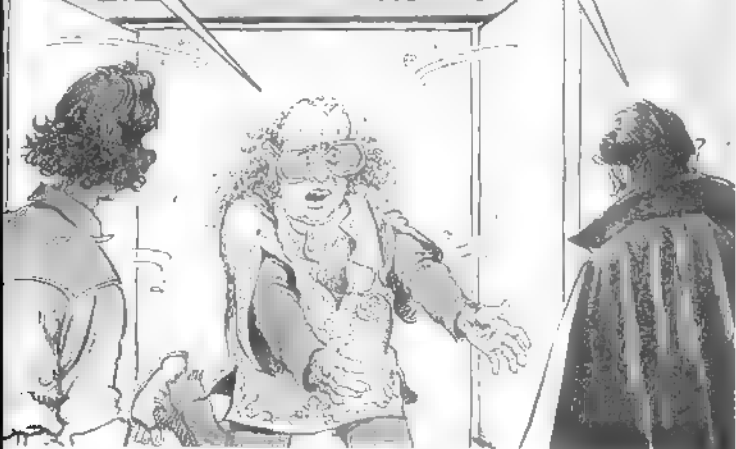
I'm desperate,
Ghoul! Nobody
even remembers
my big hit
record anymore!

What WAS it?!

It was
—uh—
Gee...
I don't
even
remember
it!!

Well, gi'me a call
when you DO! I'm
putting on my big
"Golden Oldie" show
soon... and maybe
I can fit you in!

I knew
you'd
come
through
for me,
Ghoul!
Thanks!



That was very
thoughtful
of
you to help
that young man
out, Mr. Ghoul!

Help him out?!
Don't be a
chopped liver
head all your
life, Revolyta!

Nothing can be more
depressing to these
one-shot talents than
to get another chance
with an old success!

It's a guaranteed
"Over-dose" trip!
And we know who'll
be there to pick
up the pieces, eh?

Now this last
room will
really blow
your mind...

You mean
... the
bathroom?

The "JOHN"—
bagel brain,
refers to
YOU...



Heyyy!
I'm
Vinnie
Barbarino!

Who...?
What...?
Why...?
Huh...?

Grease
is the
word...

Stayin'
alive,
stayin'
alive...

Hey!!
They're
doin'
ME!!

Like I said... you never
can tell! so look both
ways when you cross the
street goin' home tonight

... or I just
might make 10
million bucks
TOMORROW!!

This is—ulp— John Revolyta
... signing off for MAD!
See ya around... I HOPE!!



ONE SATURDAY AFTERNOON DOWNTOWN





BYGONE BUY-GONES DEPT.

Despite all the books written about major events in history, we still know very little about the way our ancestors lived their normal, every-day lives. That's because the world didn't have Classified Telephone Directories in the past. And

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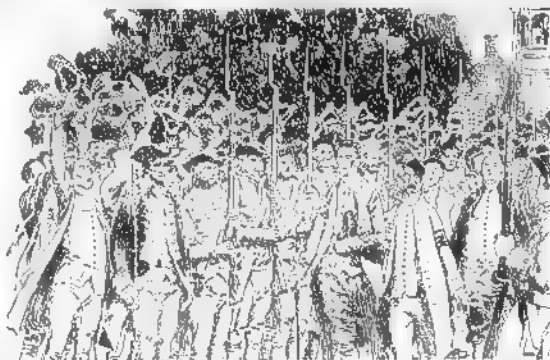
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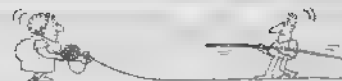
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WRITER: TOM KOCH

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The higher the quality of two TV shows, the greater the probability they will be aired at the same time.

MAKIN' OUT-TAKES DEPT.

Live—from the flashy, overdone and completely tasteless ballroom of the popular “Cafe Whoopie,” the notorious “Singles Only” club, this is Abigail Van Boredom, your Hostess for this evening’s ceremonies! Yes, tonight, we are honoring those lovely people whose fabulous feats of “acting” rival the best that Hollywood has to offer! Who ARE these talented folks who give such great performances? They’re the people involved in every aspect of that famous social ritual known as “Dating”! So without further ado, here is

MAD'S Academy Awards For Dating



ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE

WRITER: STAN HART

In the important dating-acting category, “Meeting Mr. and Ms. Right,” the first nominee is Howard Trent for his outstanding performance in “The Power Of Prayer”!



The second nominee in this category is Charlie Spandau for his brilliant work in “Party Time”!

I see you in Church every Sunday! I'm very impressed with your devotion!

I feel that praying is an extremely important part of my life! I pray all the time!

My-my! If you wanted to, I'm sure my folks wouldn't mind if a boy like YOU took me out on a date!

Great!! We'll go to my place and make out!

MAKE OUT?!!

Sure! What do you think I've been praying for?!!

Hey, doll! There's a really fantastic fun party starting soon at my place! You'll hate yourself if you miss it!

Oh...really?

You'd be a sen-saysh!! The absolute HIT of the entire bash!

Wait! I'll get my coat!

Hey, Charlie! Who's going to be at the party?

Just HER and ME! Heh, heh, heh, heh!



And the winner is Audrey Grimaldi for her brilliant acting performance in the memorable scene from "Get Me A Doctor"!

She just fainted!

Are you a Doctor?!

Yes, I am!

Are you doing anything for DINNER tonight??

HOSPITAL
ENTRANCE



Congratulations, Audrey! Did anything ever develop between you and the young Doctor?

Not after he told me he was joining the Peace Corps!

Well, better luck next time!

Next time is tomorrow! I'm schedule to faint in front of a young LAWYER's office!



In the next category, "Dealing With Parents," the first nominee is Cindy Feemster in, "Good-bye, Cruel World!"



The next nominee is Al Hoving for his inspired performance in "Bringing The Family Closer Together!"

If I can't go out tonight, I'm never going out again!!

What does that mean?!

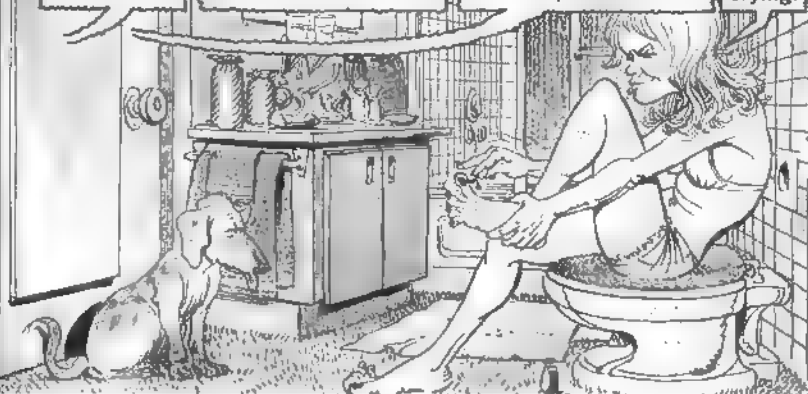
I'm going to kill myself! I'm opening up this full bottle of Iodine, and—Bottoms up, Mommy and Daddy!

Open this door!!

Give my record albums to Beth!

Cindy, it was your Father who said you couldn't go out! But you're going, whether he likes it or not!! Now, open this door!

Not yet! I'm a mess from crying!



Animal! All you do is date trashy girls you can jump all over! I will not allow you to go out with tramps!

You're right! Why should I waste my time trying to make it with some bimbo when I have a sweet, pure teenage beauty so close by?

WHO...?

My Sister! I mean, when you think about it, she's REALLY BUILT!

Please Just forget about what your Mother and I said!

And we'll get you an apartment of your own!!



And the winner is Ms. Phyllis Getz for her stirring performance in "Happy New Year"!

This is a fine time to come home, young lady! What will the neighbors think?!

How can you humiliate me in front of the most popular boy in school?! I'll be laughed at! I'll be a social leper! I'll die an old maid! Or maybe, I'll have to become a NUN!!

We're not Catholic!

Try explaining THAT to our neighbors!

Stop this! You were told not to come home too late!!

But it was New Year's EVE! Everyone stays out late! Maybe I'll become a RABBI!!

But we're not Jewish!

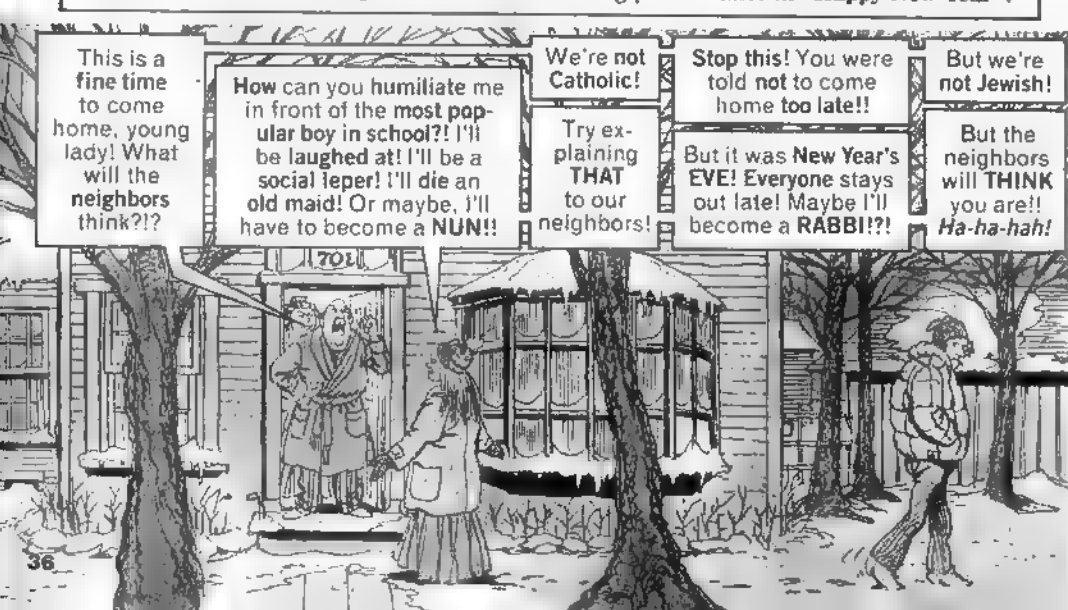
But the neighbors will THINK you are!! Ha-ha-hah!

Here's your statuette! Tell us... just what time DID you come home...?

Oh... about one thirty in the morning!

That's not so late!

On January 2nd?!



The next award for dating-acting is in the very popular category of "Living Together," and the first nominee is Rene Coleman for her performance in "How To Say 'No!'"



The second nominee is Jim Grunther for his portrayal of "A Meaningful Relationship!"

Hey, what do you say you move in with me?!

But, if we LIVE together, think of all the great things we could DO together!!

You're right! We could get up at six in the morning and jog five miles... play a few hours of tennis every night... and on week-ends, we could do cross-country skiing... or mountain climbing!

Forget it! I said I wanted to LIVE with you... not DIE with you!



Having you move in was very important to me! You see, you're not just a casual relationship! You're much, much more! You're my friend, my confidant, my companion...

...and your sleep-in maid!



And the winner is Freddy Sorenson for his very sensitive interpretation of "Hey, Freedom Is The Name Of The Game!"

Hey, funny face! I thought we had an open relationship! I thought it was okay if one of us wants to do something without the other one! We need our freedom, remember? So don't feel bad! Stop worrying! Do what you want to do, you won't be hurting me!

You're so understanding! I don't deserve you! Well...



What was it she wanted to do, Freddy?

Spend one night a week with her best friend!

Well, you're very considerate...

That's 'cause I know how she feels! I've been spending one night a week with her best friend for six months!



In the category, "Breaking Up," the first nominee is Helen Hardigan for her "Let Me Count The Ways!"



The second nominee is Marcy Schoen in her dramatic rendition of " 'Tis A Far, Far Better Thing I Do!"

All you ever think about is making love!

That's 'cause I do it so well!

Maybe! But you're not as good as Al or Donald or Teddy or Eddie or Sy or my Home Room Teacher or the Varsity Football or Soccer or Lacrosse Teams!

Don't call me, and I won't call you!



I think I'm wrong for you, Bryan!

I take up too much of your time! You have such potential and I'm standing in the way! So I'm going to make a very painful sacrifice, and stop seeing you!

No! You must think of your future! Your career is far more important than I am!!

But someday, who knows... maybe even a "Checker"! We can't fight destiny! It's bigger than both of us! I'll never forget you!!

My CAREER??? As a "Box Boy" at Safeway???

Whaddya mean???

Hey, wait a second!!



And the winner is—Milty Longo, for his calculating and very bold performance in "Turning Her Off For Good With A Switch!"

That was a very shrewd move, Milty!

Yeah, but it backfired! She told everybody in school, and now I keep getting phone calls from the guys in the "Ballet Club"!

I can't see you every day like we've been doing, Nan! Maybe every OTHER day!

Is—is there another girl?

Good! I was worried for—

It's a FELLOW! I could see him on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays... and see you on Tuesdays, Thursdays and week-ends!

Take a long walk on a short pier, pal!

Silly! There could never be another girl for me!



In the category, "Senior Citizen Dating," the first nominee is Edna Hellion for her "Breaking The News To The Children!"

And the second nominee is Freddy Belasco for his convincing portrayal of "The Big Shot!"

As you know, it's difficult for me to get by on my Social Security check! And I can't ask YOU for money as things are!

I'd love to give... but I can't!

I know! So I met a man, and we've decided to pool our checks, and live together!

LIVE together?!?

He's thoughtful! He's a perfect gentleman! He'll be good company for me in my few remaining years!

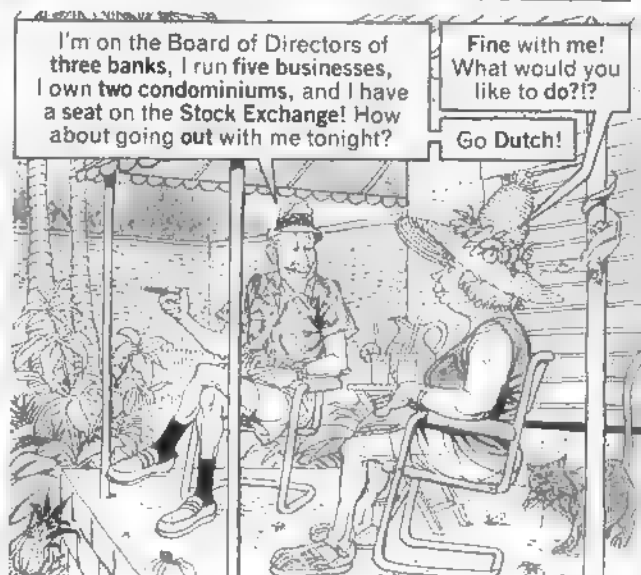
Well... okay! I imagine, at his age, that his intentions are honorable!

God... I HOPE NOT!

I'm on the Board of Directors of three banks, I run five businesses, I own two condominiums, and I have a seat on the Stock Exchange! How about going out with me tonight?

Fine with me! What would you like to do?!

Go Dutch!



And the winner is Mary Waltham for her convincing performance of shocked morality in the old cliché scene, "The Time Of Your Life!"

Congratulations, Mary! I'm really glad to see that you didn't let an abstract moral principle keep you from having a good time!

I got a great deal out of the relationship!

And what did HE get out of it?

A heart attack!

What is the meaning of this?

Well, I thought—

Sorry, but I'm not one for all this new-fangled permissiveness! I don't believe in being rushed into anyone's bed! I think that a relationship has to mature into something as intimate as that!

How much time do you think either of us has LEFT?!

Hmmmm! You're right!

Okay, let's register!

Le Vieux Joyeux MOTEL





The final category, "Divorce Dating," is for outstanding performances by people while dating others who have been previously married! The first nominee is Fanny Pounders in "So Long, Smooth Talker!"

A gal like you deserves a guy like me! We'd make such sweet sounds together!

I don't think so! I'm no fun to be with! I wasn't any fun for my ex-Husband!

He just couldn't appreciate you! Takes a special kind of guy ... and I'm special!

I don't know! We had three bad years of marriage before we split!

What were the grounds for your divorce?

Actually, it was an annulment! You see, I never allowed him to consummate our marriage! I didn't feel I knew him well enough after only three years!

Uh ... Hey, I'll see you around!



The second nominee is Jack Kitch for his fantastic control in his painful scene while "Making Points With Her Kids!"



And the winner is ... Wait! It's a tie! The winners are Harry Bork and Jean Bean for "One-Time Losers!"

My, my! What an energetic little tyke!

Ho-ho! What a protector he is, too!

Go ahead, enjoy yourself, kid! I don't believe in frustrating children!

Of course not, kid! I wouldn't hit you!

You're gonna take my Mommy away!

I'm gonna bite your finger off!

You won't hit me?

If I don't score with your Old Lady, I'll come back and KILL you!



All my ex-Wife ever did was spend my money!

Thank you for understanding!

The cad!!

Some warmth ... some kindness!

Poor man!

All my ex-Husband ever did was complain about my spending his money!

Thank you! All I'd really like to do is find some happiness!

Some consideration ... some affection!



Congratulations! Say, I understand that you two got married! It's wonderful that you found each other!

Yeah, but it's not working out! We're still looking for some happiness ...

Some warmth ... some kindness!

Some consideration! ... some affection!



Well, folks ... that about wraps up this year's Academy Awards For Dating! As the house lights dim, and the happy winners and sad losers wend their way out of the "Cafe Whoopie," remember Abby's advice: When you feel like being a fink or a louse or a bull artist, it's always more satisfying if you share it with a date! 'Bye!



BLIP-TEASE DEPT.

Ever notice how comic strip characters are just like real people, in that when they curse, it's always in the same old tiresome way...which in their case is something like this...



That's because they all use the old standard stereotype comic strip cursing symbols to blow off steam! And yet, there are thousands of other symbols (courtesy of @!#\$%&! Madison Avenue) which could be used more appropriately in given situations! We'll show you what we mean—and probably inspire you to do some creative cursing of your own when you finish the article—as MAD has a few familiar faces deliver

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...as a TV-VIEWER



ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

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...as a POLICY-HOLDER



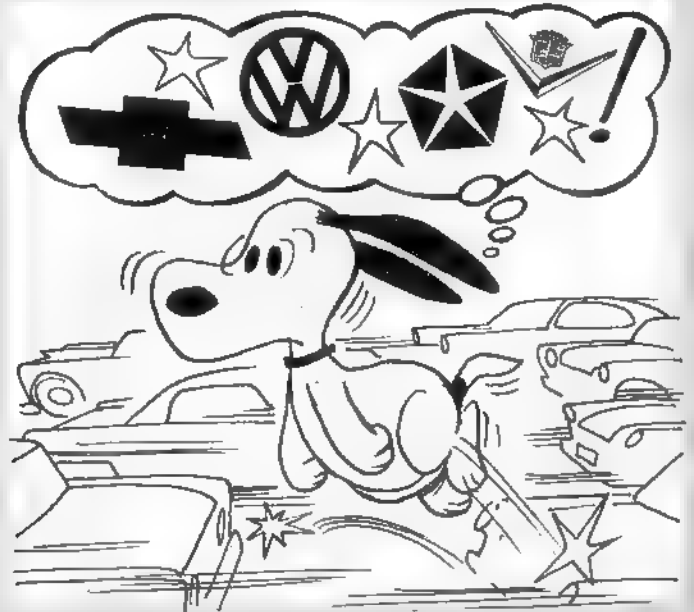
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WRITER: HENRY CLARK

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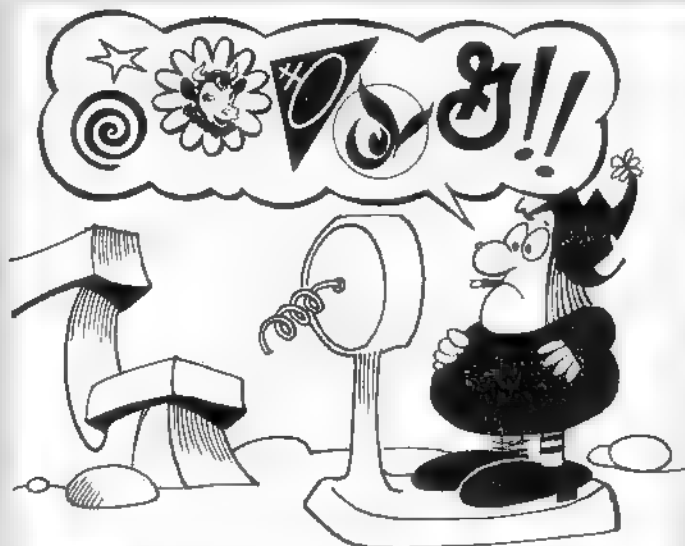
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BASKET CASES DEPT.

There have been many different types of Coaches throughout Sports history! Like the legendary Rockne, and his *inspirational* type of coaching!

Boys . . . before we have our traditional half-time prayer and chorus of "Tura, Lura, Lura," I want to tell you a story about The Gipper! His last words to me on his death bed were, "Rock, someday, when the boys are losing, tell them to win one for me!" Well . . . ? Are we gonna let him down? Let's go out there and **WIN ONE FOR THE GIPPER!**

How can he expect us to win? ! ? I'm so choked up, I can't even SEE!!



Times changed, and so did Coaches! And a new, fiery kind of Coach emerged! He inspired his Players in a *different* way!

By God, get out there and **KICK SOME BUTTS!** Go out there and **HIT SOMEBODY!** **WIN! WIN!**

I'll sure be glad when the game starts, so I can get out on the field . . . where it's safe! ! You could get **KILLED** in here! !



Now, through the magic of Television, and the lack of imagination of Television writers, we have a brand new type of Coach. He doesn't care if his team wins or loses, or even how they play the game . . . just as long as they've got problems. He's the "Father Image" Coach, and his schtick is "giving advice" to his Players. On a new hit TV Show, this Coach is a tall WASP who is always closely followed by his ethnic minority Players! Actually he's

THE WHITE, SHADOWED

Coach . . . I'm really worried! I've been having **IMPURE THOUGHTS!**

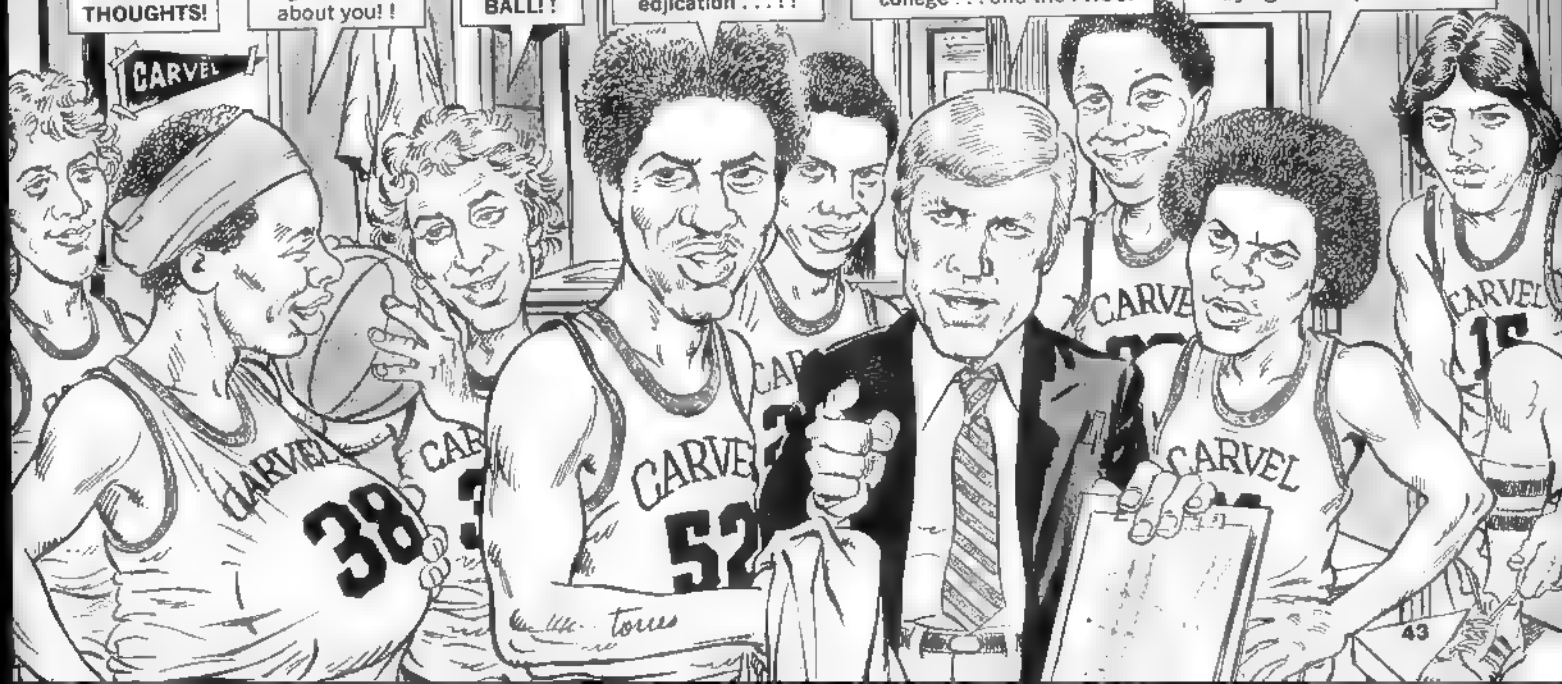
Hey, Man! It's about time you were thinking about girls! ! We were starting to wonder about you! !

GIRLS? ! ? I've been having impure thoughts about **BASKETBALL!** !

Coach, I'm gonna get married an' drop out of school! An' don't gi'me that jive about stayin' in school and gettin' an edjication . . . ! !

I won't! I'm gonna give you that jive about staying in school and **PLAYING BALL!** You're the **only** stud I got over six feet tall! Basketball is your way out of the ghetto! It's your ticket to college . . . and the **PROS!**

You give us that speech every week, Coach! But—how come **YOU** went to college, an' **YOU** played in the NBA, 'an all it got for **YOU** was a job back here in the **GHETTO** we're trying to escape **FROM?** !



Hey, Coach! How about talkin' to my Science Teacher?! The man flunked me on a test! He asked for an example of an "Endangered Species"... an' I answered, "Coach Raves"!

Me?! An "Endangered Species"?

Yeah! A **WHITE DUDE**—playin' in the **NBA**!

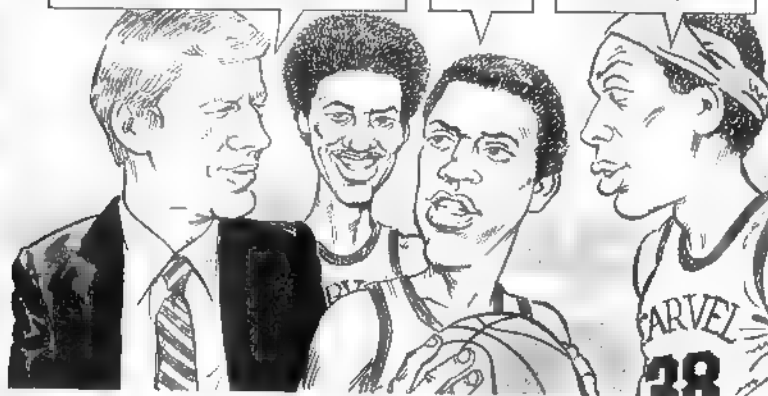
Man, no wonder he flunked you! That ain't no example of an **Endangered Species**! That's an example of an **EXTINCT Species**!

Dig them turkeys! We're gonna whip their butt!!

Coach, how come it's cool for the President to say "ass"... but **WE** gotta say "**BUTT**"!?

Because this is a **FAMILY** type magazine!

But ain't he a **FAMILY** type President?!



Coach Raves... my name ■ **Debbie Gorgeous**! I'm the famous **TV Personality and Producer**! I want to shoot a **Documentary** on a **High School Coach** and his typical **High School Team**....!

What makes you think these animals are "typical"?

Their **NAMES**...!! Jerkson, Gallstone, Gomanz, Coolaide—They sound like a platoon of **GI's** in a **WORLD WAR II MOVIE**!!

Sorry! Another time! I'm **really busy** now!

I **know** you think because I'm ■ **woman** who happens to be **Miss America**, that I don't know anything about sports! Well, you're wrong, Mr. Raves! I'm **really INTO** sports—especially **BASKETBALL**! I just love it when the **batter** kicks a **touchdown** basket!

Actually, I'm in favor of **women** in sports! If they'd let me use a few of those **CHEER LEADERS**, we'd be **undefeated**!



It's just that I have **ENOUGH** problems with my typical team! My **Forwards** are **paranoid**, one of my **Guards** is a **kleptomaniac**, the other is an **alcoholic**, my **Black Center** runs like a **White** guy, and every week, I have to deal with a **special Guest Student** who's **really spaced out**!

Gee... with all those **GOODIES** going for you, how come you have such a **LOUSY RATING**??

Because we don't have a **LAUGH TRACK**—so people don't know it's a **SitCom**!!

C'mon, Coach! Let's do this **TV gig**! Let's once the people see me on **TV**, they'll name a **CANDY BAR** after me...!!

They already have "**EXLAX**"!

Okay, if you stay out of the way...!

You won't even know I'm around!

Lady... anybody don't know **YOU'RE** around has got to be **DEAD**!!



Gallstone, I want to talk to you about your Grandmother! I don't mind her sitting on the bench, or washing your back in the team shower, or lighting candles and chanting prayers when you shoot a foul shot—

Well, since Pastrami crosses himself at the foul line, she wants equal time for OUR people!



That's okay... but do you think you could stop her from giving out CHICKEN SOUP in the huddle?

Eat... eat, Coacheleh! Have a matzo-ball! It's good for you!



Coach Raves... you'd better do something about Gomanz!

For once, you're right, Symple! That idiot just scored a basket for the other team! Hey, Gomanz—you shot the ball in the WRONG BASKET!

Sorry, Coach... but both baskets look the same to me!



I'm talking about his GRADES! He's the only Spanish-speaking kid in the school, and he's flunking Spanish! Until he passes, he's off the team!

The rest of the guys are American, and their native tongue is English... and they're all flunking English! So why pick on poor Gomanz...?!

Man, that's tellin' 'er, Coach...!

Hey, Coach! Anybody ever tell you you got a big mouth!?

Okay, then the ENTIRE TEAM is ineligible!



At it again, eh?

We have to fight! If we didn't, you wouldn't have anything to do, and your eight years of college would be wasted!

Kin... on this one, I agree with Symple! If they want to play... they MUST pass their subjects!

That's the most un-American thing I ever heard! What would happen to our great Colleges and Universities if all the Jocks playing ball for them had to get passing grades?!?



Those are the rules, Kin... and don't give me your weekly heartbreaking speech about if it weren't for basketball, those kids would drop out of school and get into trouble!

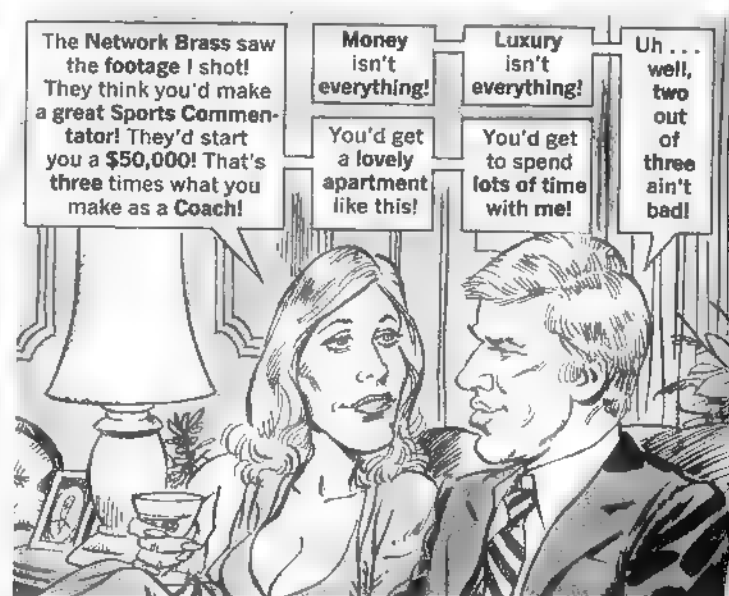
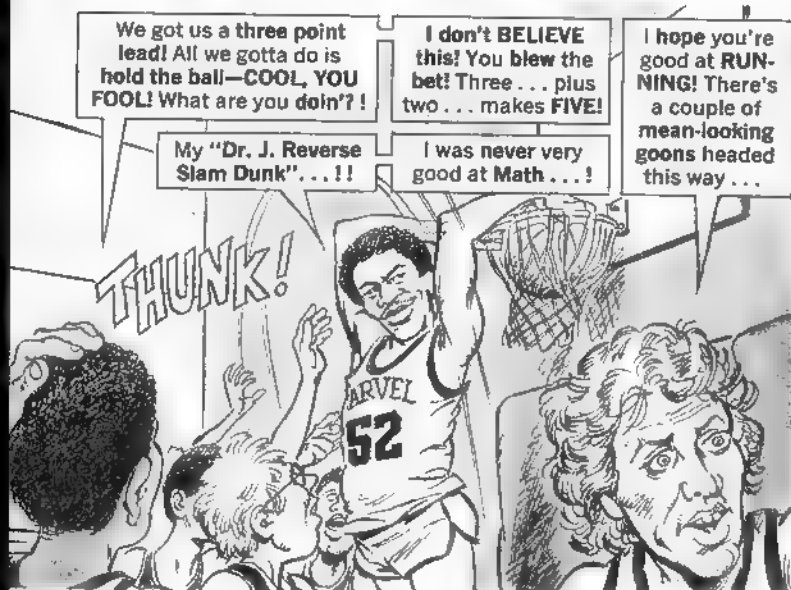
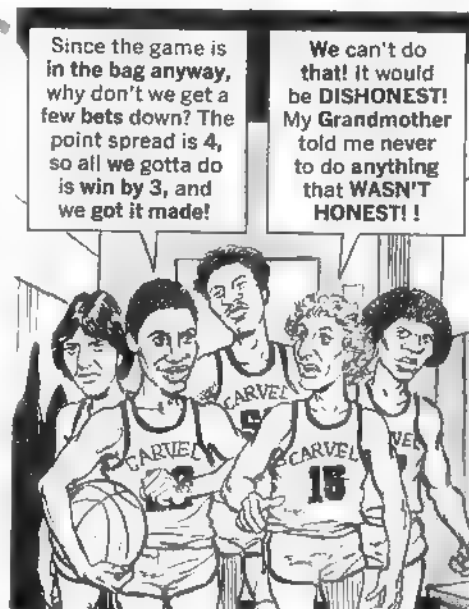
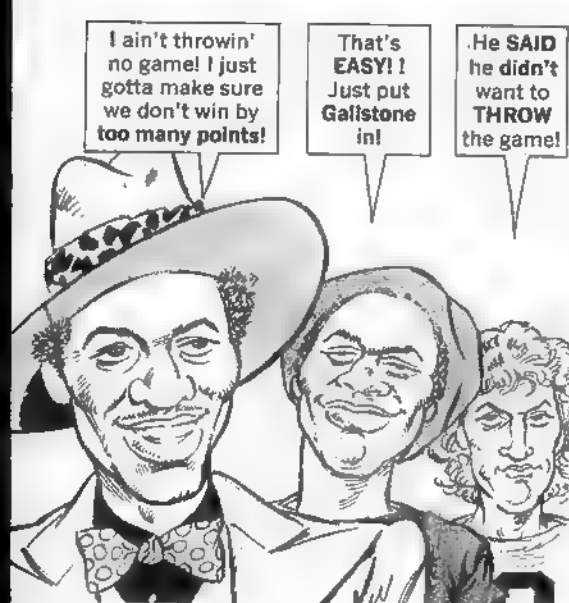
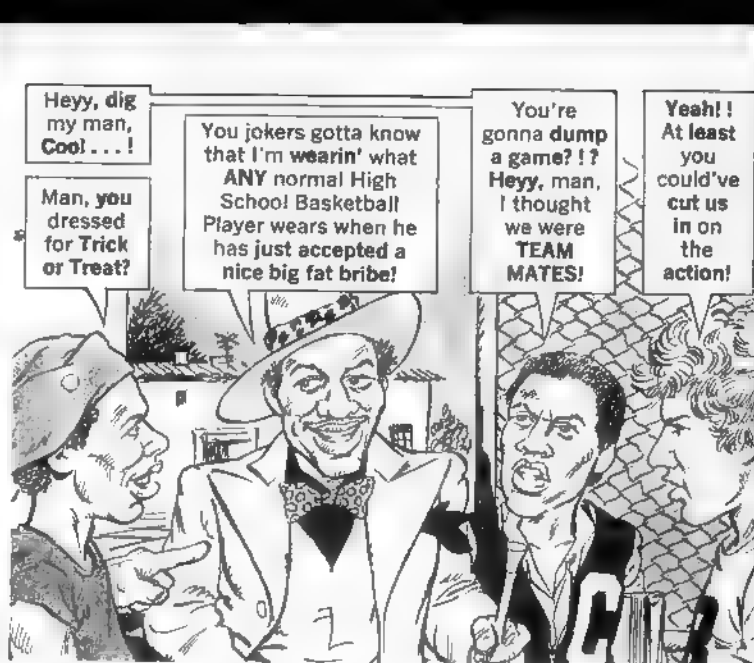
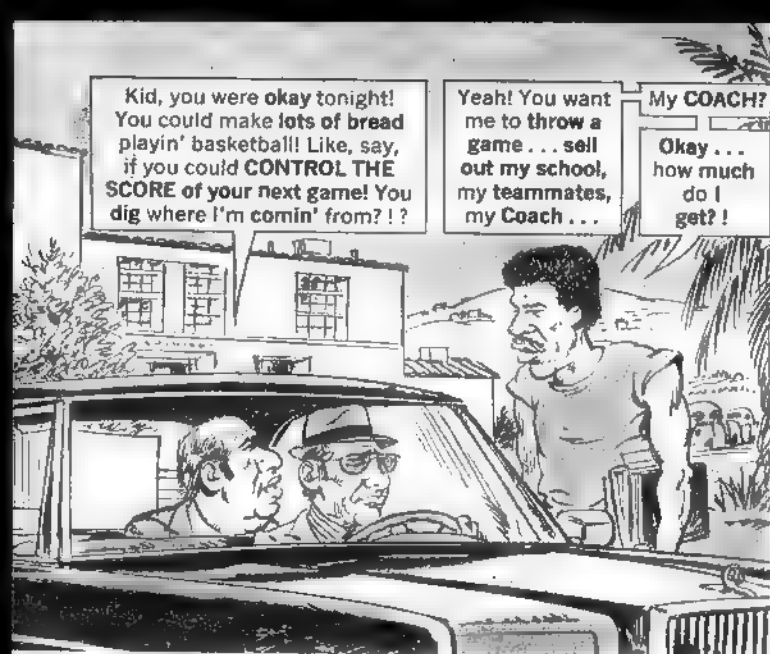
You got it wrong, Gym! If they drop out of school, I'M the one in trouble! Who ever heard of a TV Father image without anybody to give advice to?!

Knock it off, you guys! I've got an announcement! Miss Backgammon said that you jokers can stay on the team on one condition...! I gotta tutor you in English!

Great! I always did want to learn to talk like a "Dead End Kid"!!

I'm dancin'!
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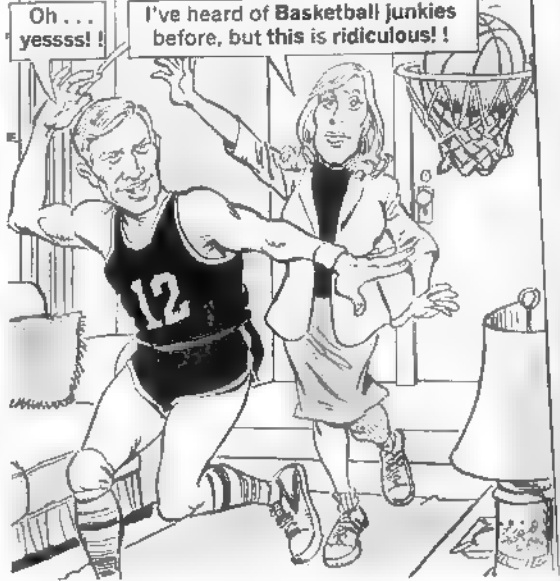
Let's go to MY pad for a little "One on One"....!

What's so special about your pad?

Nothing! But it gives me the home court advantage!



Just make yourself at home while I slip into something a little more comfortable... and then I'll show you some of my best moves!!



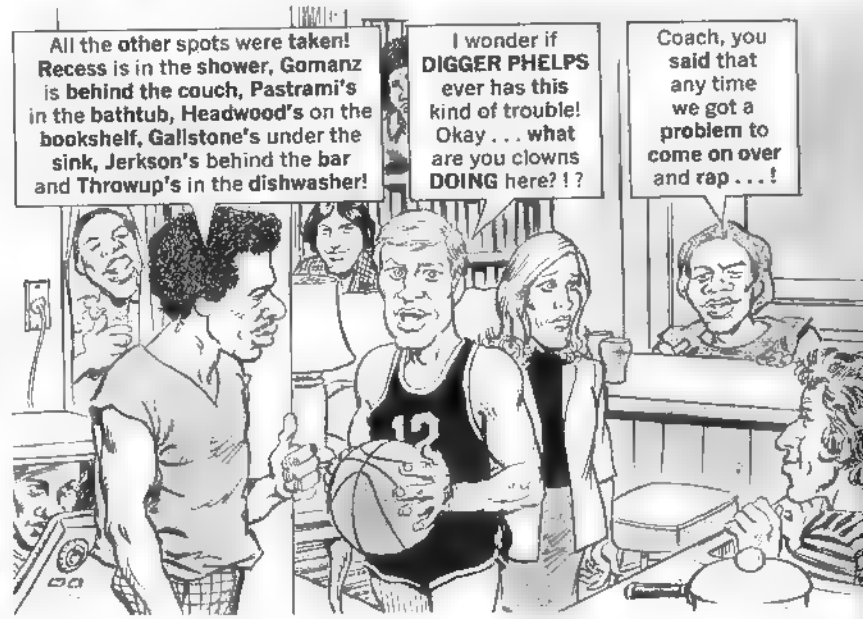
Oh... yessss!!

I've heard of Basketball junkies before, but this is ridiculous!!



Heyyy, Coach! Next time you go "One on One" with a chick, make it shirts against skins!

Coolaide! What are you doing under my bed?!



All the other spots were taken! Recess is in the shower, Gomanz is behind the couch, Pastrami's in the bathtub, Headwood's on the bookshelf, Gallstone's under the sink, Jerkson's behind the bar and Throwup's in the dishwasher!

I wonder if **DIGGER PHELPS** ever has this kind of trouble! Okay... what are you clowns **DOING** here?!!

Coach, you said that any time we got a problem to come on over and rap...!

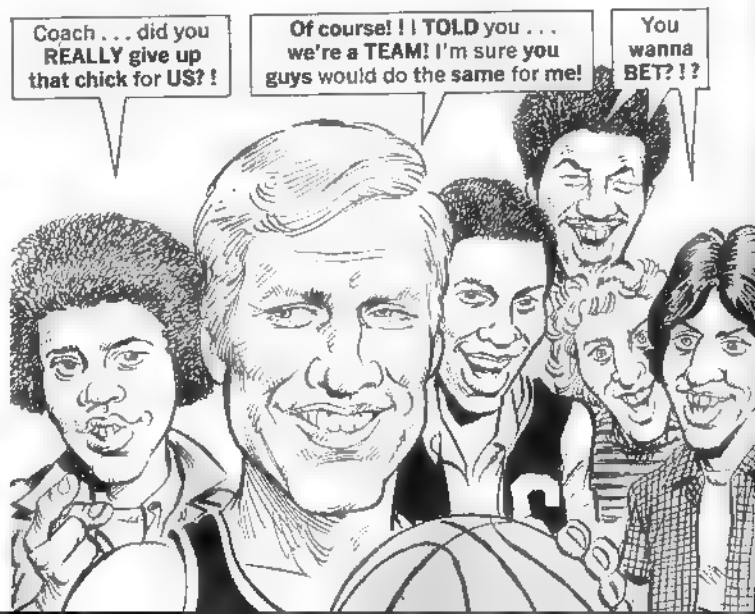


Debbie, these guys need me! I'm gonna have to turn down that TV job....!!

Sure! Bye, Coach!

Gee, Coach, we're sorry we loused it up for you! You probably would have scored, huh?

What are you talking about?! I was ahead—fourteen to zip!!



Coach... did you **REALLY** give up that chick for US?!

Of course!! I **TOLD** you... we're a **TEAM**! I'm sure you guys would do the same for me!

You wanna **BET**?!!

Talking about bets, Coach, Coolaide is in trouble! Some dude paid him to see to it that we won by 3 points, and Cool blew it! Now, they're looking to throw him in the drink wearing cement Pumas!

That's just great! You guys were shaving points! Is that what you learned from me?!?

Heck, no, Coach! You never taught us that! !

Yeah! How come we gotta learn all the **GOOD STUFF** from strangers? !

Big Angie . . . I want you to leave my team alone!

YOU'RE a gambler! I tell you what! I'll play you for what you lost . . . double or nothing!

Heyy, it's Kin Raves! ! Nothin' personal, Kin, but I dropped a bundle because of your boys!

You're on! Name your game: poker, gin, war, flip baseball cards—

"One on One"!

Man, there ain't **NOBODY** gonna believe **THIS** . . . !

What? ! That the Coach is winning?

No . . . that a **Professional Gambler** is gonna play "**One on One**" with an ex-Pro Basketball Star!

If that jive audience could believe the Coach would turn down a TV job with big bread . . . and that **foxxxy lady** . . . to stay in the ghetto with **US**, they'll believe anything!

Whatever it is, make it fast! My TV Documentary "**Special**" is starting . . .

The Schoool Board is trying a new experimental project called "**Up Stream**"! They place **NORMAL STUDENTS** in with a group of problem kids like your team in the hope they'll have a positive influence!

No way! What do I know about **NORMAL** kids? ! I'm a Teacher!

Listen, Gym . . . forget it! !

Don't worry! The Board just decided to **CANCEL** the "**Up Stream**" program! They felt it would screw up **NORMAL** students **PERMANENTLY**! !

What happened? Did they see my team in action? !

No . . . they saw **YOU** in action!

This has been the story of Kin Raves . . . a typical High School Basketball Coach!

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